

# MIAMI BEACH

OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER

**LTC No.**

**321-2016**

LETTER TO COMMISSION

TO: Mayor Philip Levine and Members of the City Commission

FROM: Jimmy L. Morales, City Manager

DATE: August 1, 2016

SUBJECT: **BOARD AND COMMITTEE BIENNIAL REPORTS**

Attached for your review, please find the Board and Committee Biannual Reports submitted to the Office of the City Clerk for the period of January 2016 to June 2016.

Pursuant to City Code Section Sec. 2-22(13), the chairperson of each agency, board or committee, or his/her designee, shall biannually submit a completed written report to the City Commission and City Manager. The submitting agency, board or committee must approve the contents of the report prior to the presentation.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the City Clerk or myself.

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# BOARDS AND COMMITTEE BI-ANNUAL REPORT

<b>BOARD OR COMMITTEE NAME:</b>	Affordable Housing Advisory Committee (AHAC)
<b>CHAIRPERSON:</b>	David Smith
<b>CITY LIAISON:</b>	Richard Bowman
<b>NUMBER OF MEETINGS HELD:</b>	6

**ACTIVITY:** January 2016 – June 2016

January Meeting: Review of the draft of the new Citizen Participation Plan with City staff prior to submission to City Commission.

February Meeting: Discussion of Local Housing Assistance Plan (LHAP) with City staff.

March Meeting: Final review and comment on LHAP with City staff prior to submission to City Commission.

April Meeting: Public meeting for review and comment on the FY 16/17 HUD Annual Action Plan prior to submission to City Commission.

May Meeting: Planning and review meeting regarding the affordable housing crisis on Miami Beach.

June Meeting: Planning and strategizing for developing recommendations for ways to increase access to affordable housing.

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## FUTURE ACTIVITIES: July 2016 – December 2016

The AHAC will continue researching and reviewing potential options for ways to increase the availability of affordable housing. The AHAC plans to present its findings and recommendations to the City Administration.

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## ACCOMPLISHMENTS: January 2016 – June 2016

The AHAC has reviewed, evaluated, commented, and made recommendations on:

- Citizen Participation Plan
- Local Housing Assistance Plan
- FY 2016/2017 HUD Annual Action Plan

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<b>BOARD OR COMMITTEE NAME:</b>	Audit Committee
<b>CHAIRPERSON:</b>	Marc Gidney
<b>CITY LIAISON:</b>	James Sutter
<b>NUMBER OF MEETINGS HELD:</b>	Jane 2016 to June 30, 2016: One

## ACTIVITY:

- Review Year –End Results of City’s External Audit by Crowe Horwath
- Reviewed interim Internal Audit activities for FY15/16 covering status of audits and follow-up reviews.

## FUTURE ACTIVITIES:

- Discuss Internal Audit findings (reports and follow-ups) for FY15/16
- Approve Audit Plan for FY 16/17.

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## ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

- Communications with External Auditors on results of their Audit
- Covered interim audit findings of Internal Audit Division including audit reports and follow-ups.

# BOARDS AND COMMITTEE BI-ANNUAL REPORT

<b>BOARD OR COMMITTEE NAME:</b>	Art in Public Places (AiPP)
<b>CHAIRPERSON:</b>	Cathy Byrd
<b>CITY LIAISON:</b>	Dennis Leyva
<b>NUMBER OF MEETINGS HELD:</b>	Six

## ACTIVITY:

Approval Miami Beach Convention Center six public art projects by Design Review Board  
 Approval Miami Beach Convention Center one public art project by Historic Preservation Board  
 AiPP Fund 147 Capital Budget FY 16-17  
 AiPP website on going.  
 Bass Museum Donation Ugo Rondinone sculpture Collins Park  
 Call to Artists Soundscape Park  
 Call to Artists Flamingo Park  
 Installation Capitman Family Donation "Barbara Capitman Memorial"  
 Installation Art Shows Fourth Floor Gallery Space  
 Inventory City of Miami Beach 2 dimensional works public art collection  
 Conservation assessment City of Miami Beach public art collection  
 Maintenance Tobias Rehberger "eloquent south pointe park pier gate"  
 Maintenance Tobias Rehberger LED equipment "obstinate lighthouse"  
 Maintenance Charles O. Perry "untitled"  
 Attended Florida Association Public Art Administrators conference  
 Managed City of Miami Beach stand at Art Basel

## FUTURE ACTIVITIES:

Approval Miami Beach Convention Center six public art projects by Mayor and City Commission.  
 Artists Agreements executed with six artists for the Miami Beach Convention Center.  
 Call to Artists Soundscape Park  
 Call to Artists Flamingo Park  
 Conservation Treatment Roy Lichtenstein "Mermaid"  
 Conservation Treatment Roberto Juarez "Bringing the Beach Inside"  
 Conservation Treatment Dan Graham "Morris"  
 Installation City Centennial Photography Exhibit

## ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

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July 2016

**BOARD OR COMMITTEE NAME:** Beachfront Management Plan Ad-Hoc Advisory Group

**CHAIRPERSON:** Elizabeth Wheaton

**CITY LIAISON:** Margarita Wells, Environmental Resources Manager

**NUMBER OF MEETINGS HELD SINCE January 1, 2016: 0**

**ACTIVITIES:**

Review, discuss, and provide recommendations on the City's draft beachfront management plan in accordance with Chapter 259.032(10) of the Florida Statutes.

**ACCOMPLISHMENTS:**

The advisory group has not held any meetings since 2015.

**FUTURE ACTIVITIES:**

The advisory group has met the requirements of Chapter 259.032(10) of the Florida Statutes. As such, no future meetings or activities are needed at this time.

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**BOARD OR COMMITTEE NAME:** - BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

**CHAIRPERSON:** - BARTON GOLDBERG

**CITY LIAISON:** - ANTOINETTE STOHL  
Secretary to the Board

**DATE OF REPORT:** - January through June 2016

**NUMBER OF MEETINGS HELD DURING THIS REPORTING PERIOD:** 6

MEETING DATE	AGENDA ITEMS	APPROVED	DENIED	DISCUSSION	CONTINUED	WITHDRAWN	
Jan 15	3	1		1	1		
Feb 5	10	7		2	1		
Mar 4	4	2		2			
Apr 1	<b>C A N C E L L E D</b>						
May 9	5	2		1	1	1	
Jun 3	5	4		1			
Totals:	27	16		7	3	1	

Note: Some totals may not match due to some items being removed from the Agenda at the last minute.

<b>BOARDS AND COMMITTEE BI-ANNUAL REPORT FORM – PAGE 2 OF 2</b>

**BOARD OR COMMITTEE NAME:** - FLOOD PLAIN MANAGEMENT BOARD

**CHAIRPERSON:** - BARTON GOLDBERG

**CITY LIAISON:** - ANTOINETTE STOHL,  
Secretary to the Board

**DATE OF REPORT:** - January through June 2016

**NUMBER OF MEETINGS HELD DURING THIS REPORTING PERIOD:** 6

MEETING DATE	AGENDA ITEMS	APPROVED	DENIED	DISCUSSION	CONTINUED	WITHDRAWN
Jan 15	0					
Feb 5	0					
Mar 4	0					
Apr 1	<b>C A N C E L L E D</b>					
May 9	0					
Jun 3	0					
Totals:	0					

Note: Some totals may not match due to some items being removed from the Agenda at the last minute.

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**BOARD OR COMMITTEE NAME:** Budget Advisory Committee

**CHAIRPERSON:** Ronald Starkman

**CITY LIAISON:** Cintya Ramos

**NUMBER OF MEETINGS HELD SINCE January 1, 2016 – June 30, 2016:** Total = 7

**ACTIVITIES:**

<p><b>01/12/2016 Meeting Agenda:</b></p>
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Vote for Chairman and Vice-Chairman</li><li>• Discuss Agenda Topics and Schedule for CY16</li><li>• Macro Budget Presentation</li></ul> |
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<p><b>02/9/2016 Meeting Agenda:</b></p>
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Topics &amp; Set Schedule for CY2016</li><li>• Collective Bargaining Update</li><li>• Proposed Template for Department Budget Presentations</li></ul> |
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<p><b>03/8/2016 Meeting Agenda:</b></p>
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Pension Investment Assumptions &amp; Actuarial Impacts</li><li>• Overview of New Transportation Initiatives</li></ul> |
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<p><b>04/12/2016 Meeting Agenda:</b></p>
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Police Department (Overtime, Body-Worn Cameras, Traffic Support, Red Light Cameras)</li><li>• Communications Department</li></ul> |
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<p><b>04/26/2016 Meeting Agenda:</b></p>
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Parks Department (Golf, Park Rangers)</li><li>• Public Works Department - Stormwater (Bond Program and Capital Projects Update)</li></ul> |
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<p><b>05/10/2016 Meeting Agenda:</b></p>
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Fire Department</li><li>• City Commission Retreat</li><li>• Public Works Department Divisions Update</li></ul> |
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<p><b>06/2/2016 Meeting Agenda:</b></p>
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 1st Budget Workshop (Finance &amp; Citywide Projects Meeting) - FY17 Capital Budget Development</li></ul> |
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## **ACCOMPLISHMENTS:**

- Elected Ronald Starkman as BAC Chairman and Jonathan Fryd as Vice-Chairman
- Discussed recommended agenda topics and set schedule for CY2016
- Reviewed Budget Overview, including timeline of Budget Development Process
- Reviewed Macro Budget Presentation
- Collective Bargaining Update
- Review Proposed Template for Departments FY17 Budget Presentation
- Discussed the Pension Investment Assumptions & Actuarial Impacts
- Reviewed and discussed the New Transportation Initiatives
- Major Programs in the Communication Department
- Recent changes made in the Communications Department
- Accomplishments in Publications, Communications, Media, and MBTV
- Sponsorships
- Social Media
- Challenges and Opportunities
- Recent departmental changes in the Police Department
- Police Officer Recruitment process and their options
- Hiring of an outside company to conduct a staffing study of the Police Department
- Recent accomplishments in the Police Department
- Enforcement arrest and total calls for service
- City cameras
- All divisions and position overview of the Parks and Rec Department
- Major programs and functions of the Parks and Rec Department
- Recreation Statistics
- Children Trust Grant Funding for the Parks and Rec Department
- Park Rangers Program
- Ocean Drive Task Force FY17 - Enhancements
- Golf Clubs Unanticipated Shortfalls
- Improve Stormwater Water Quality
- Mitigate the effects of King Tides and Sea Level rise
- Topographic Data
- Stormwater Management Master Plan
- Tides Prediction
- Stormwater pump stations and locations
- Construction of Gravity Walls
- Variances between 2015/16 to proposed budget for the Public Works department divisions.
- Departmental Financial Summaries 2014-2017 of the Public Works Department
- Department and Divisions description of the Fire Department.
- Major programs and functions of the Fire Department.
- Recent accomplishments and adjustments in the Fire Department.
- Position overview of the Fire Department.
- Comparison of FY15/16 Adopted and FY16/17 Proposed of the Fire Department.
- Rescue-44 enhancement request for FY17

- Challenges and Opportunities of the Fire Department
- Discussion Regarding 2016 Commission Retreat held on May 12, 2016
- Discussion Regarding 1<sup>st</sup> Budget Briefing

**FUTURE ACTIVITIES:**

- Prep for Finance Citywide Committee 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Budget Briefing Meeting
- IT Department (Munis/Energov Project Update)
- New Environmental Management Department
- New Beach Maintenance Function
- Parking Department Update
- Convention Center Project Update
- Fleet Division Update

<b>BOARDS AND COMMITTEES BI-ANNUAL REPORT FORM</b>
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January 2016-June 2016
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**BOARD OR COMMITTEE NAME:** Convention Center Advisory Board

**CHAIRPERSON:** Michael Goldberg

**CITY LIAISON:** Max Sklar

**NUMBER OF MEETINGS HELD SINCE January 1, 2016: 6**

**ACTIVITIES:**

<u>The CCAB had a tour of the GMCVB offices.</u>
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<u>Marketing now includes social media and website analytics in the CCAB packet.</u>
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<u>Newly appointed members Andres Asion, Laurence Herrup, and Peter Matos.</u>
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<u>GMCVB presented their Sales pitch to CCAB members.</u>
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**ACCOMPLISHMENTS:**

The CCAB gave a recommendation supporting the resolution for the city to enter into the lease between the city and Portman holdings.
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**FUTURE ACTIVITIES:**

<u>2016 Meetings</u>
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<u>Hard hat tour of the convention center renovation.</u>
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<u>Vote for Chairman and Vice Chairman for 2017 Board.</u>
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**BOARD OR COMMITTEE NAME:** Quality Education Committee  
**CHAIRPERSON:** Beth A. Edwards  
**CITY LIAISON:** Dr. Leslie Rosenfeld

**NUMBER OF MEETINGS HELD SINCE January 2016 – May 2016: 5**

**ACTIVITIES:**

The Committee for Quality Education was established in 1999 to guide the city's efforts toward providing the best education possible in Miami Beach public schools.

The Committee investigated, developed, and carried out plans to promote and ensure the provision of quality education in Miami Beach public schools, in the areas of Communication, Health and Well-Being, Safety / Traffic, Student Achievement, Parental Involvement / Family Support / Youth and Community Engagement, Technology and Teacher Recruitment / Retention.

The Committee is continuing to work on evaluating safety of our students in our schools by working with MDCPS. The committee had requested MDCPS to come back and confirm the number of security officers (green shirt) per school site and has taken it one step further to ask CMB via a motion to help support the security initiative to assure our children are safe (see motions below). Aside from that we have opened up discussions regarding School Resource Officers and upcoming possible changes of how they are funded and any possible relationship to CMB. Furthermore the QEC had requested via a motion to the Mayor and Commission that the MBPD institute a real time policy notifying citizens in real time any real or perceived threats. We will readdress this motion again in the upcoming August meeting as the Committee feels that security needs to be addressed across the feeder pattern.

The Committee continually serves as a forum to discuss the Class Size Amendment issue and the Schools of Choice loophole closure to assure that our Feeder Pattern Schools are adhering to the new policy.

The Committee has opened discussions regarding concerns of the impact of another K-8 at South Point Elementary. The Committee requested MDCPS to come back in August with an update as to their impact study to neighboring feeder pattern schools. This important agenda item will carry forth for the new



year as Committee Members were very vocal about fixing the current K-8 (FF) and the impact another K-8 will have on NMS.

The Committee had committed to a grass roots effort to push past the limits set by MDCPS in regards to a 5% per pupil funding increase and asked the CMB to help get involved to request a fair and equitable increase to match the average federal funding level per pupil funding. MDCPS requested an increase of 5% from \$7096.96 to \$7452 per pupil. The Committee has requested a motion to increase per pupil funding to \$10,700 (an additional 30%). With per pupil funding raising less than 1% for next school year, the Committee has rolled over this key topic/component of the legislative platform initiative to be included in the following years CMB and MDCPS Legislative Platforms for 2016-2017 school year.

The Committee is currently reviewing the issue regarding the deterioration of the MBSH Field and what can be done to re-turf the field. Concerns about the students not being able to play on the field for PE or practice at MBSH and having to pay to use City Parks. This topic will roll over to the August meeting.

The Committee, via a motion, supports the extension of a two-way from Royal Palm to Sheridan. CMB Traffic Dept confirmed that this is moving forward and discussions were made to expedite the process so that this can be a reality when children come back for the 2016-2017 school year.

The Committee made recommendations to the city commission, which are outlined below in the below section.

The Committee for Quality Education requests the Miami Beach Mayor and Commission and the Miami Beach Department institute a policy similar to campus alert that notifies the citizens in real time about any real or perceived threats at our public schools. (Although not in the back end of the year, security motions will be added to the August Agenda as security has been identified as a concern for the Committee)

The Committee for Quality Education requests the Miami Beach Mayor and Commission support the extension of the two-way from Royal Palm to Sheridan

The Committee for Quality Education requests the Miami Beach Mayor and Commission ensure that if the March 2016 ballot question two, Referendum Re: Use of Rent Payments Received by City from Convention Center Hotel Lease passes, that all funds designated for education be restricted to Pre-K through 12 Miami Beach public schools including only South Point Elementary, Feinberg Fisher K-8 Center, North Beach Elementary, Biscayne Elementary, Nautilus Middle School, and Miami Beach Senior High School, excluding charter schools, and shall not supplant Miami –Dade County Public School budgeted funding.

The Committee for Quality Education requests that the Miami Beach Mayor and Commission fund the behavioral mental health initiative through the motion made at the April 13, 2016 Commission meeting by Commission Steinberg and seconded by Commissioner Aleman and supported unanimously to expand the Nurse Enhancement Initiative to Miami Beach Senior High School, Nautilus Middle Schools, South Point Elementary, Fienberg Fisher K-8 Center, and Biscayne Elementary at \$67,000.

The Committee for Quality Education requests that the Miami Beach Mayor and Commission reach out to Miami Dade County Public Schools to conduct a survey of Miami Beach public school students to determine interest in bus transportation for those living within two (2) miles of their home school. Question: Would parent(s)/guardian(s) want to participate in having children utilize a school bus service in Miami Beach?

The Committee for Quality Education requests that the Miami Beach Mayor and Commission support implementation of a sustainable culinary program at Miami Beach Senior High and further requests that Miami-Dade County Public Schools fund a teacher for the program and develop a long-term relationship with Miami Beach Senior High School.

The Committee for Quality Education requests that the Miami Beach Mayor and Commission ask Miami Dade County Public Schools to review security allocation needs of Miami Beach Senior High School based on other criteria (other being not incidence), such as student population as well as campus size.

**ACCOMPLISHMENTS:**

The Committee for Quality Education has accomplished many things this year. A key point to commend the Committee for is the communication. This Committee is extremely vocal and works hard to assure key issues are addressed and timely solutions are brought forth. The Committee Members are working diligently to bring the CMB, MDCPS, and the Committee Members to align on key legislative initiatives as well as non-legislative issues to assure we are advocating for our children/children's needs within our Feeder Pattern. Other key points being addressed and seeing continual results are Safety/Traffic , Health and Well Being, Student Achievement, Parental Involvement / Family Support / Youth and Community Engagement, Technology and Teacher Recruitment / Retention.

**FUTURE ACTIVITIES:**

Continue to bring forth key issues and follow up on all open issues aforementioned to help guide the City's efforts toward providing the best education possible in Miami Beach public schools

Continue to provide insight and recommendations for the new Enhanced Collaboration between Miami-Dade County Public Schools and the City of Miami Beach which was passed by Commission via Resolution No 2015-28997 on 4/15/2015.

Continue to monitor the effectiveness of the Dual Enrollment and Extended Foreign Language programs in the City of Miami Beach public schools.

The QEC and its Health Care Task Force will continue to make sure funding is requested to support the Health Suites in each of Miami Beach Schools beyond 2015-2016, 2016-2017, 2017-2018 as it comes due. As well as support the new mental health initiative.

The QEC will continue to support The School Board's top priorities for the upcoming Legislative Session: Note: The new Legislative Priorities will be brought forth come August/September time period. The QEC will work with both the CMB Legislative Platform alongside MDCPS to assure that we are advocating for the specific needs of the children here on Miami Beach. TYs platform is below.

**Funding:**

-Increasing Safe Schools Funding to pre-recessionary levels of minimally \$77.1 million and revise the funding formula so that each school district gets 50 percent of its previous years actual expenditures from the state;

-Increasing Exceptional Student Education funding to pre-recessionary levels of \$1.1 billion;

- Modifying the calculation of the FTE at 1.0 to exclude virtual courses taken during the summer and the proration of both ESE and ELL weights;
- Extending and funding a longer school year for all students;
- Supporting maximum flexibility in the use of funds appropriated; and
- Opposing unfunded state mandates

**VAB Structural Changes:**

Revise the Value Adjustment Board (VAB) proceedings to include:

- Proof of property owner consent/knowledge of an appeal;
- Limit appeal rescheduling to only one for good cause;
- Payment of interest at the market rate;
- Require the property appraiser (PA) to finish all appeals by June 30<sup>th</sup> of each year
- Allow school districts to audit the VAB and PA;
- Require a review by the state of PA's process when the PA's estimate on the July 1st is two percent or more than the state estimate for three or more consecutive years; and
- Provide a hold harmless mitigating the impact of any loss of revenue due to PA not completing the tax valuation on a timely basis.

**Fair and Equitable Accountability Reform**

- Revise the current Assessment system and accountability system to:
- Provide a transitional period for school and district accountability, as well as teacher evaluation, as the state transitions to a new assessment tools; and
- Delay computer-based testing until all school districts have the necessary infrastructure to reduce the testing window and provide a paper and pencil option.

# BOARDS AND COMMITTEE BI-ANNUAL REPORT

<b>BOARD OR COMMITTEE NAME:</b>	Committee on the Homeless
<b>CHAIRPERSON:</b>	Valerie Navarrete
<b>CITY LIAISON:</b>	Alba Tarre/ Captain Wayne Jones
<b>NUMBER OF MEETINGS HELD:</b>	6

## ACTIVITY:

The Committee on the Homeless passed the following resolutions for consideration by the Mayor and Commission during the reporting period:

1. Requesting that the Commission support the installation of portable showers throughout the City for the use by the homeless as a means of encouraging the homeless to seek services and supports.
2. Requesting that the Mayor and Commission explore pushing back package store alcohol sales to no earlier than 10:00am.
3. Requesting that the Commission consider the installation of the PIT Stop Program throughout the City. The PIT Stop Program provides clean and safe portable public toilets, sinks, used needle receptacles and dog waste stations.
4. Requesting that the Mayor and Commission support the motion by the LGBT Advisory Committee to require any homeless shelter contracted by the City be required to take an LGBTQ sensitivity training course offered by an approved organization.

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### FUTURE ACTIVITIES:

- The Committee on the Homeless plans on continuing to work on the following: encouraging the City's business community to participate in the trespass signage program and register their participation with Miami Beach Police. This enables police to enforce after-hours trespass laws and increases exposure to homeless services.
- Developing and disseminating a media awareness campaign targeting our tourists and residents discouraging panhandling and educating the public about the negative impact panhandling has on the community.

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## ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

On Friday, June 24, 2016, the Committee on the Homeless conducted a tour of the homeless shelters contracted by the City. The tour included the Miami Rescue Mission and The Salvation Army

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BOARD OR COMMITTEE NAME: \_ DESIGN REVIEW BOARD

CHAIRPERSON: \_ CAROL HOUSEN

CITY LIAISON: \_ DEBBIE TACKETT

DATE OF REPORT: January 2016 through June 2016

NUMBER OF MEETINGS HELD DURING THIS REPORTING PERIOD: 6

Meeting Date	Agenda Items	Approved	Denied	Continued	Withdrawn	Discussion	Preliminary Evaluation	No Action
Jan 15	14	11	0	3	0	1		
Feb 2	7	5	0	2	0	0		
Mar 1	9	8	0	0	1	0		
Apr 5	16	12	0	3	1	0		
May 3	13	11	0	2	0	0		
June 7	13	12	0	0	1	0		
<b>Total</b>	<b>72</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>1</b>		

C : Meeting Cancelled.

Note: Some totals may not match due to some items being removed from the Agenda at the last minute.



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<b>BOARD OR COMMITTEE NAME:</b>	Disability Access Committee
<b>CHAIRPERSON:</b>	Sabrina Cohen
<b>CITY LIAISON:</b>	Valeria Mejia
<b>NUMBER OF MEETINGS HELD:</b>	Six

## ACTIVITY:

- Working towards bringing low floor trolleys to Miami Beach transportation; Members of DAC providing visual footage of existing unsafe trolleys to Mayor and Commission while presenting information at city meetings
- Working with IT department to continue to make our city website more user friendly for the visually impaired
- Present inaccessible problems to the city through internal DAC discussions and citywide experiences (hotels, restaurants, sidewalks)
- Discuss and support Ability Explosion events and Sabrina Cohen Foundation adaptive fitness and recreation initiatives, including support for new facility location
- Discussed and proposed solutions for inaccessible construction sites

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## FUTURE ACTIVITIES:

- Will continue to provide ADA input and advice to Convention Center project
- Working towards getting the city to purchase low floor trollies to circulate Miami Beach area
- Encourage the addition of more handicap accessible parking spaces at Allison Park for adaptive beach programs and playground (coming soon).
- Will provide members of the DAC an opportunity to work one on one with city IT technicians to educate and train them on the needs of disabled community when browsing the city website
- Continue to address issue at 1111 Lincoln Road with unpaved surface until smoother, safer access is provided

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### ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

- Presented unfinished curb cuts during construction in the Sunset Harbour community and encouraged city to smooth out surfaces; City provided temporary smooth cement finishes within a week to comply while workers continue construction in area
- Request was made to city and state to decrease the slope height at the beach access point at 6475 Collins Avenue which was not ADA compliant; problem rectified in a timely manner
- Electric beach wheelchair proposed and purchased 3 chairs for 10th Ocean Drive and South Pointe locations
- With the full support of the DAC for the development of the Sabrina Cohen Foundation adaptive beach programs at Allison Park, programs are now available 1st and 3rd Saturday's of every month, free and open to disabled residents and visitors.

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**BOARD OR COMMITTEE NAME:** Health Advisory Committee  
**CHAIRPERSON:** Mark Rabinowitz, MBCHC  
**CITY LIAISON:** Sonia Bridges

**NUMBER OF MEETINGS HELD SINCE July 1, 2016:** 3

**ACTIVITIES:**

- Introduction of new HAC members and review of HAC history and purpose; discussed vacancies and recommendations to fill vacancies
- Bicycle deaths became an important issue since Florida is the number 1 state in bicycle deaths with 29 annually which is unfortunate since it is the most ideal place to train
  - Current efforts on behalf of the City of Miami Beach were mentioned by Commissioner Malakoff. They will benefit the safety of both cyclists and pedestrians. An example of these efforts includes a wider beach walk as well as both color coded and protected lanes around the City.
- Awareness on the Zika Virus became prevalent in several meetings
  - An infectious disease specialist on the Committee gave an informative presentation on the Zika Virus which included vital information from the basics to its' history, symptoms, geographic distribution and basic virology
  - Several articles and publications released by the Center for Disease Control (CDC) were discussed in order to increase awareness on the virus
    - Some of the topics include interim guidance for the prevention of sexual transmission of Zika, Zika virus Microcephaly and Guillen-Barre syndrome and the CDC's response to Zika which included what can be done, pregnant and living in an area with Zika and lastly, pregnant and worried about Zika.
  - Emergency Management Director, Chuck Tear, spoke on the current efforts being conducted by the City of Miami Beach regarding the Zika Virus
    - Every morning the Office of Emergency Management issues a color coded situational report that identifies any situational threats whether it's coastal flooding, weather, biological, nuclear or any others.
    - As soon as the governor issued a state of emergency, Emergency Management met with necessary personnel and followed the standard procedure and protocol to monitor the

mosquito population.

- Emergency Management representatives attend all county meetings and follows their direction as well as stay in contact with the state
  - Public awareness was increased through local drain and cover message campaigns
  - The situation is being monitored continuously and the threshold is if we had a single case that was local and transmitted local. Once this happen we would insist that the county and/or state assist us in elevating the campaign
  - One of the issues that was not recommended knowing the local community is any elevated or aerial spraying, any exposure to everything from chemical exposure on the body to contact, anything advanced like this. Until there is a high exposure rate, nothing like this will be requested early on.
  - Code Compliance is issuing violations for any standing water in order to mitigate the threat which is something that has never done before
- City of Miami Beach Fire Department personnel, Sal Frosceno and Francois Betancourt spoke to Committee regarding the Fire Departments role regarding the Zika virus.
    - Florida Department of Health is the lead agency in Florida
    - MBFD representatives attend FL Department of Health news conferences and meetings to see if anything has changed to date in relation to the Zika virus
    - MBFD is staying on top of the advisories issued by the Florida Department of Health and CDC
    - The “drain and cover” message is being put out to the community per the CDC and Florida Department of Health.
  - Proposal of possible shade structures at the golf ranges located in Miami Beach is still being discussed
    - These shade structures are a vital part to help lessen the risk of skin cancer when practicing at golf ranges
    - Skin cancer is the most common type of cancer in the United States
    - Possible ideas to fund this project include possible fundraising efforts and sponsors
  - An overview on Mount Sinai Medical Center and how it serves the community was presented by its CEO, Steven Sonnenreich
    - Since it is the only hospital and emergency healthcare provider on Miami Beach, it is considered the safety net for this community.
    - Due to Mount Sinai's aging infrastructure, there will be construction that will include 12 new operating rooms, 154 private rooms which will allow

for 100% privacy

- Emergency room will be expanded from its current square footage of 16,700 to 45,850

**ACCOMPLISHMENTS:**

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Florida Society of Ophthalmologists was able to purchase another vision screening device for detecting amblyopia and other sight disorders.<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ This was due to a ten thousand dollar grant that the FSO obtained</li><li>○ FSO allows ophthalmological and medical offices to borrow the screening devices if needed</li></ul></li></ul> |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• All vacancies on the Committee have been filled</li></ul>  |

**FUTURE ACTIVITIES:**

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• In order to increase Amblyopia awareness, there will be a Back to School awareness event this upcoming August in Palm Beach.<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ Another two events are in the works for Tampa and Orlando</li></ul></li></ul> |
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<b>BOARD OR COMMITTEE NAME:</b>	Hispanic Affairs Committee
<b>CHAIRPERSON:</b>	Alex Fernandez
<b>CITY LIAISON:</b>	Kate Gonzalez
<b>NUMBER OF MEETINGS HELD:</b>	5

## ACTIVITY:

- Discussion of affordable housing options and community enhancements
- Held open forum regarding Cuban Consulate in Miami Beach, which resulted in the following motions submitted to Mayor and Commission:
  - A motion of the Hispanic Affairs Committee opposing a Cuban consulate in the City of Miami Beach, so long as the Cuban government continues its violation of basic freedoms and human rights.
  - The Hispanic Affairs Committee advises the Mayor and the City Commission that, in midst of the implementation of new diplomatic relations and policies between the United States and the Cuban government, upon the date of adoption of this recommendation by the City Commission, it is premature to create any new policy or change the City's current policy in regards to normal relations between Cuba and the City of Miami Beach. Time must be given to grasp the results and outcome of the full implementation of those new diplomatic relations and policies. As stated by President Barack Obama on March 21, 2016 during his trip to Cuba, "Change is going to happen," adding that change would not occur "overnight" and that "we still have significant differences around human rights and individual liberties inside of Cuba."
  - The Hispanic Affairs Committee reaffirms its respect to the Cuban exile community and will thus forever be united in solidarity with the pain endured by those who fled Castro's dictatorial rule, the divide of family, the loss of loved ones, and the persecution of Cubans seeking religious and political freedom.
- Commended the Communications Department on the bilingual publications in MB Magazine
- Joined in sympathy of the victims of the tragedy suffered in Orlando and to commend the Mayor, City Commission and City administration for putting the event together to honor those who perished, including honoring and recognizing the Hispanic victims. Further appreciating the efforts of Senator Rubio and Senator Nelson during the tragic event

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### FUTURE ACTIVITIES:

- Hispanic Heritage Nominations to be concluded in September.
- Hispanic Heritage Award recipients to be honored at a reception prior to Hispanic Heritage Festival
- Hispanic Heritage Award Ceremony planned for October 7, to coincide with City of Miami Beach's Hispanic Heritage Festival

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**BOARD OR COMMITTEE NAME:**        -        HISTORIC PRESERVATION BOARD

**CHAIRPERSON:**                                -        JANE GROSS

**CITY LIAISON:**                                -        DEBORAH TACKETT

**DATE OF REPORT:** January 2016 through June 2016

**NUMBER OF MEETINGS HELD DURING THIS REPORTING PERIOD:**    6

Meeting Date	Agenda Items	Approved	Denied	Continued	Discussion	Withdrawn	No Action
Jan. 12	11	4	0	6	1	0	1
Feb. 9	11	5	0	6	2	0	0
Mar. 8	26	15	0	10	4	0	1
Apr. 12	15	8	0	7	3	0	0
May. 10	16	7	0	2	6	0	0
June. 14	17	5	0	6	5	0	1
<b>Total</b>	<b>96</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>3</b>

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<b>BOARD OR COMMITTEE NAME:</b>	LGBT ADVISORY COMMITTEE
<b>CHAIRPERSON:</b>	ROBIN SCHWARTZ
<b>CITY LIAISON:</b>	MORGAN GOLDBERG
<b>NUMBER OF MEETINGS HELD:</b>	6

## ACTIVITY:

- Work in Subcommittees to focus on different topics/tasks
- Invite new commissioners to monthly meetings so they are up to date on matters of importance to committee
- Discuss with World Out Games on how to get funding to have the games to come in 2017
- Continue to be up to date with Miami Beach Police Department in regards to LGBTQ community
- Continue to be up to date on the GMCVB
- Pushed for the rainbow crosswalk to be implemented at Ocean Drive and 12 Street
- Partnered with The Committee on Homeless to pass a motion to require any homeless shelter that the City of Miami Beach contracts with to take an LGBTQ sensitivity training course

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## FUTURE ACTIVITIES:

- Continue to aid the World Out Games
- Explore how the City of Miami Beach can help or complement the social media efforts of the GMCV to market the destination to the LGBT community
- Help implement better LGBT involved digital media
- Work on how the City can leverage the National Association of LGBT Journalism visit in September 2016 to gain more visibility
- Implement LGBT movies in Soundscape Park
- Put together an LGBT Family BBQ/ picnic/pool day
- Have an LGBT monument installed
- Create a group of volunteers to aid the police to make sure another event in Orlando doesn't happen

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ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

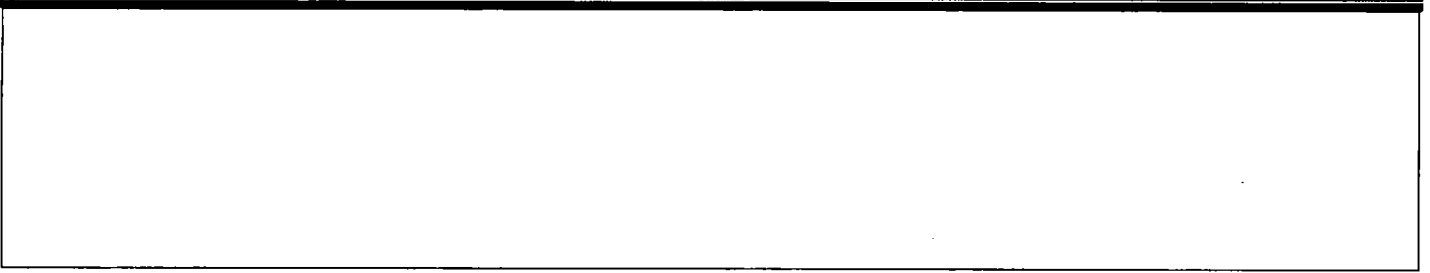
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- Submitted for the HRC Rating and MEI Score
- Worked to get the rainbow sign topper installed at Ocean Drive and 12 Street
- Succeeded in having the Commission pass a resolution for extension of hours of operation during White Party, Winter Party Festival, and Miami Beach Gay Pride
- Successfully submitted HRC Rating and MEI
- Passed a motion to accept the signage for implementation of gender neutral restrooms in the newly renovated Convention Center

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<b>BOARD OR COMMITTEE NAME:</b>	Mayor's Ad Hoc Blue Ribbon Steering Committee on the Convention Center Hotel
<b>CHAIRPERSON:</b>	Commissioner Ricky Arriola
<b>CITY LIAISON:</b>	Jeffrey L. Oris, CEcD
<b>NUMBER OF MEETINGS HELD:</b>	3

## ACTIVITY:

The Committee is working to find a direction to take and the best avenue of public input on the Convention Center Hotel.

Meetings to date have covered the following topics:

- 1) Discussion on what the public did not seem to take to with the hotel proposal rejected in the March election.
- 2) A conversation with Jack Portman of Portman Holdings to see what changes Portman would be willing to incorporate into the hotel design.
- 3) A discussion with the Metropolitan Center at FIU about a resident survey to gather input on what changes to the hotel might encourage 60% of the voters to vote in favor of a convention center hotel.

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## FUTURE ACTIVITIES:

The Committee intends to have FIU complete the resident survey and will then work to analyze the results.

Several "open house" meetings will be held to discuss important issues with the public regarding the hotel such as:

- 1) Area traffic
- 2) Hotel height
- 3) Hotel architectural design
- 4) The potential to utilize the land currently occupied by the Jack Gleeson Theater and to incorporate a new, improved theater into the hotel development.
- 5) Appropriate location (site) for the hotel.

The Committee hopes to have a final report prepared and ready to the Commission ASAP.

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## ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

The Committee has finalized a survey instrument to be utilized by FIU to survey residents by telephone.

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**BOARD OR COMMITTEE NAME:**

Miami Beach Commission for Women

**CHAIRPERSON:**

Mercedes Carlson

**CITY LIAISONS:**

Bonnie Stewart

David Zaret

**MEETINGS HELD SINCE JANUARY 2016:**

The Committee met as follows:
January 5, 2016 Board Meeting, February 2, 2016 Board Meeting, March 8, 2016 Women Worth Knowing, April 12, 2016 Pay Equity, May 3, 2016 Board Meeting, June 7, 2016 Board Meeting
<b>TOTAL MEETINGS: 6</b>

**FUTURE ACTIVITIES:**

September 2016 – Health Forum
October 2016 – Domestic Violence Awareness Event
December 2016 – Collection for the Share Program for Miami Beach Senior High School and Children's Cancer Caring Center Extravaganza.

**ACCOMPLISHMENTS:**

<p>On March 8, 2016 the Committee hosted its "Women Worth Knowing" Event honoring women in the hospitality industry. The event took place at the Miami Beach Golf Club. The Honorees were Janine Ostow, Dining Room Mgr., Joe's Stone Crab; Peggy Benua, General Mgr., Dream South Beach Miami; Deborah Plutzik Briggs, EdD, VP for Philanthropy, Betsy Hotel; and Ana Cecilia Velasco, Exec VP of Operations, Mango's Tropical Café. The honorees received plaques. The City's Communications Department filmed the event. It was very successful and very well attended.</p>
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<p>April 12, 2016 the Committee held its annual Pay Equity Event at the Miami Beach Botanical Gardens. Attendees included committee members and residents. The Committee was presented with a Proclamation from the Miami-Dade County Office of the Mayor and Board of County Commissioners. The movie "Suffragette" was shown at the event. It was very successful and well attended.</p>
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<p>The Committee invited all members of Commissions for Women to attend its June 7, 2016 meeting. Guests included Laura Morilla, Executive Director Office of the Chair of the Miami-Dade County Commission for Women.</p>
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<p>On June 22, 2016 the Subcommittee hosted a Summer Speaker Series on Women's Health Concerns and Prevention. Guest speakers were Dr. Loretta Ciraldo and Dr. Elizabeth Etkin-Kramer. The doctors spoke the Committee and residents about sun protection and the Zika Virus. The city's Emergency Management Department provided literature on mosquito prevention and information on the Zika Virus. The event was a huge success and well attended.</p>
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**BOARD OR COMMITTEE NAME:** Miami Beach Cultural Arts Council (CAC)

**CHAIRPERSON:** Charles Million

**CITY LIAISON:** Brandi Reddick

**NUMBER OF MEETINGS HELD SINCE January 1, 2016:** 7

**ACTIVITIES:**

<u>Reviewed 56 cultural grant applicants for FY 16/17.</u>
<u>Welcomed new members Roger Baumann, Roger Martin, Laurence Moser and Britta Hanson in January 2016.</u>
<u>Monitored performance of contracted grantees and processed final reports, new contracts and payments.</u>
<u>Monitored contract for youth arts education programs with Arts for Learning/Miami.</u>
<u>Continued to promote Miami Beach cultural events through weekly updates to website and accompanying advertising campaign, e-blast and text alert program.</u>
<u>Managed the Community Benefit Fund Rental Fee Waiver program for the Fillmore Miami Beach. 12 Rental Waivers are made available each fiscal year.</u>
<u>Programmed the Soundscape Park Cinema Series and Managed the SoundScape Wall Use Grant program. 12 Rental Waivers are made available each fiscal year for non profit organizations.</u>
<u>Continued to work with WESTAF to improve online grants application process.</u>

**ACCOMPLISHMENTS:**

Nonprofit recipients of cultural grants administered by the CAC provide year-round arts programming for Miami Beach residents and visitors, including music concerts, dance performances, theater, opera, spoken word, film screenings, art exhibitions, architectural tours, lectures, workshops and classes.

In-school and after-school arts education programs contracted by the CAC served more than 2,500 students this past year, giving them the competitive edge to achieve the higher SAT scores, higher GPAs, lower drop-out rates and higher levels of community involvement that are the proven results of arts education.

Increased the number of Community Benefit Fund Rental Waivers by 12 per calendar year specifically for Theater programming. These waivers will be made available beginning October 1, 2016.

Recommended Miami New Drama to become the resident Theater company and Managers of the Colony Theater. This recommendation was passed by the Finance and City-wide Projects Committee at its meeting on July 22, 2016 and will be presented for final approval to the City Commission on September 14, 2016.


### FUTURE ACTIVITIES:

Finalize funding allocations for FY 16/17 grants- September 2016

Prepare and revise guidelines for the FY 17/18 Cultural Grants Programs

Increase visibility and promotion of cultural activities with a newly designed website, e-blast and advertising campaign.



## Mayor's Blue Ribbon Panel on Sea Level Rise MEETING MINUTES January 26, 2016 - 11:00 a.m.

A meeting of the Mayor's Blue Ribbon Panel on Sea Level Rise was held Tuesday, January 26, 2016, 11:00 a.m. in the City Manager's Large Conference Room, 4<sup>th</sup> floor, Miami Beach City Hall.

**Panel Members Present:** Scott Robins, Chair, Wyn Bradley, Michael De Filippi

**Commissioners Present:** Mayor Philip Levine, Commissioner Joy Malakoff and Commissioner John Elizabeth Aleman

The meeting was called to order by Scott Robins, Chair. Mayor Levine gave opening remarks. Introductions were made around the table.

### Mission Statement /Goals Project Updates

Scott Robins read the Mayor's Blue Ribbon Panel on Sea Level Rise Mission Statement to the group. It states that the purpose of the Panel is to continue to monitor the progress of the City's Stormwater Management Program and Comprehensive Flood Management Plan. Scott stressed that moving forward; resiliency will be incorporated into the program. This year the Panel will focus on the built environment to include historic properties and neighborhoods. It has been predicted that seas in our area will rise 2'-6' by the turn of the next century. It is the intent to raise the City in 2' increments over time. Scott stated that it is not about advocating for increases to FAR (floor area ratio) or adding floors to buildings, it is about raising buildings to combat sea level rise.

### Schedule of Future Meetings

Scott will propose future meeting dates. The other Panel members will review. When dates are agreed upon, the meetings will be advertised.

### Update – Public Works Department and CIP

Dr. Bruce Mowry, City Engineer and Eric Carpenter, Assistant City Manager updated the Panel on City projects planned and underway. The list includes Sunset Harbour, Purdy Avenue, West Avenue (Phases 1 and 2) Venetian Islands, Lower North Bay Road, Alton Road, Dade Boulevard, Indian Creek (26 – 41 Streets), Upper North Bay Road, Washington Avenue, Convention Center Pumps, Sunsets 3 & 4, Palm & Hibiscus Islands, Mt. Sinai area and Central Bayshore South. Bruce talked about a future Groundwater Monitoring Program. Eric stated that raising public roads sets in motion a movement for owners to raise private properties. Commissioner Malakoff stressed the importance of landscaping and ADA being involved in project development from the beginning. Eric said that the cost estimate to implement a Citywide program is approximately \$425 million.

### Update AECOM

Tom McGowan, AECOM, explained that the next phase of work will be to develop a Risk and Vulnerability Assessment to identify exposure and sensitivity of critical assets. Three tasks will include Code Revisions, Resilience Assessment and Economic Assessment. ACM Susanne Torriente stated that the new contract will require information on the placement of critical infrastructure in the City. AECOM reports and recommendations from the past year will be forwarded to the newly appointed Panel members.

### Open Discussion

A number of issues were discussed including the following items. Matis Cohen, resident, raised the issue of the impact of increased insurance rates on Miami Beach properties because of rising seas. Roy Coley, Public Works Infrastructure Division Director mentioned that Key West has begun to address this. An invitation will be extended to Commissioner Heather Carruthers, Monroe County, to attend a Panel meeting. Michael DeFilippi asked about seawalls on private property. Code Compliance issues unsafe structure violations when warranted. Roy Coley responded to an inquiry that storm drains are now cleaned once a year and problem areas multiple times. Pump stations are cleaned regularly. Commissioner Aleman mentioned the City's Anti-Litter campaign.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:55 p.m.



## Mayor's Blue Ribbon Panel on Sea Level Rise MEETING MINUTES February 16, 2016 - 12:00 a.m.

A meeting of the Mayor's Blue Ribbon Panel on Sea Level Rise was held Tuesday, February 16, 2016, 11:00 a.m. in the City Manager's Large Conference Room, 4<sup>th</sup> floor, Miami Beach City Hall.

**Panel Members Present:** Scott Robins, Chair, Wyn Bradley, Michael De Filippi

**Commissioners Present:** Commissioner Joy Malakoff and Commissioner John Elizabeth Aleman

The meeting was called to order by Scott Robins, Chair. It was m/s/p to accept the minutes as submitted from the meeting held 1/26/16. Scott stated that the purpose of the Panel is to set direction for the current year to combat sea level rise in the City of Miami Beach. He stressed that we must keep the pumping program moving forward and as a priority, build resiliency into our City systems.

### Update – Public Works Department and CIP

David Martinez, CIP Director gave an update for projects on Lower North Bay Road, Sunset Islands 3&4, Palm & Hibiscus Islands, Venetian Islands and Central Bayshore South. Dr. Bruce Mowry, City Engineer updated the Panel on current and planned projects in Sunset Harbour, Purdy Avenue, West Avenue (Phases 1 and 2), Flamingo Park, La Gorce Neighborhood, Middle North Bay Road, Lower North Bay Road, Dade Boulevard, Indian Creek (26 – 41 Streets), Washington Avenue at 19<sup>th</sup> Street, 54" Sewer Main Project, Convention Center Pumps and North Shore.

### Consultant Recommendations - AECOM

Marcia Tobin reported that AECOM has met with all relevant City departments to gather information that addresses sea level rise challenges prior to recommending changes in front of City boards and Commission. Marcia recognized the important role of newly hired Assistant City Manager Susie Torriente in working with City departments to build resiliency into their programs. She then reviewed material from the report Enhancing Resiliency; Sea Level Rise Adaptation Strategies, Proposed Code Modifications; Resilience Program; 1). Overview, 2). Code Modification Process, 3) Code Modifications: Group 2 and 4) Next Steps.

In the Code modification process, so far four issues have gone to the Land Use and Development Committee. They include 1) Freeboard, 2) Single Family Residential Pervious Open Space, 3) City of Miami Beach Design Storm 4), a) Stormwater Management Quantity and b) Stormwater Management Quality.

The next steps for AECOM include; 1) Code Modifications , Sustainability and Planning, 2) Code Modifications, Parking, 3) Risk and Vulnerability Assessment 4) Green Infrastructure Guidelines.

There was discussion regarding private property owners need to retain runoff on their own properties and the possibility of imposing fees if they choose to connect to City public runoff systems unless a hardship can be proven. Commissioner Malakoff said that the major City golf courses should help the City with runoff. At this point the opposite is true. Michael Di Filippi offered that there should be incentives for retaining water on private property.

### Discussion of Building Height and Floor to Area Ratio (FAR)

The Panel will be considering what exemptions of FAR to recommend to improve resiliency and prevent flooding.

After discussion, it was decided to cancel the meeting that had been scheduled for March 2, 2016. The next meeting will be held March 15, 11 a.m. in the City Manager's Large Conference Room. The meeting was adjourned at 2:00 p.m.





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## Mayor's Blue Ribbon Panel on Sea Level Rise MEETING MINUTES March 15, 2016 - 11:00 a.m.

A meeting of the Mayor's Blue Ribbon Panel on Sea Level Rise was held Tuesday, March 15, 2016, 11:00 a.m. in the City Manager's Large Conference Room, 4<sup>th</sup> floor, Miami Beach City Hall.

**Panel Members Present:** Scott Robins, Chair, Wyn Bradley, Michael De Filippi

**Commissioners Present:** Commissioner Joy Malakoff

The meeting was called to order by Scott Robins, Chair. It was m/s/p to accept the minutes as submitted from the meeting held 2/16/16. Scott began the meeting by reviewing the Mission Statement and purpose of the Panel.

### **Project Review – CIP and Public Works Department**

David Martinez, CIP Director gave an update for projects on Lower North Bay Road, Sunset Islands 3 & 4, Palm & Hibiscus Islands, Venetian Islands and Central Bayshore South. Dr. Bruce Mowry, City Engineer explained the partnership that will be formed between the City and FDOT to address flooding issues on Indian Creek from 26 to 41 Street. The City is negotiating with consultants and contractors to implement an improvement project. The goal is to have some protection in time for the Fall King Tides. The full project will need one year for completion. Elizabeth Wheaton, Environmental Dept. Director, shared concerns that she has received regarding mangroves and the need to maintain a living shoreline and as much greenery as possible. The Panel is looking for a Commission directive. Commissioner Malakoff will lead the process. Bruce reported that FDOT is exploring sidewalks and bike lanes. Bruce described the next phases of West Avenue Improvements north and south of 14 Street, Sunset Harbour, West Avenue bridge negotiations, Mt. Sinai, Alton Road and upcoming FDOT projects. Commissioner Malakoff is concerned that there will be dangerous flooding if the installation of pumps for the Mt. Sinai area prior to Fall tides is not prioritized. Highest Spring tides are predicted to be April 9&10. Roy Coley, Public Works Operations Division Director, reported that streets have been relatively dry with only some limited assistance from temporary pumps.

### **AECOM**

Susanne Torriente, Assistant City Manager, reviewed the internal regulatory process through which AECOM Code modification recommendations will be processed. She presented the Southeast Florida Regional Climate Change Compact Unified Sea Level Projections for planning purposes data.

It was m/s/p to adopt the AECOM planning recommendations from the report Enhancing Resiliency; Sea Level Rise Adaptation Strategies, Proposed Code Modifications; Resilience Program; to include 1) Floor Elevation and Floodplain Management, 2) Stormwater Infiltration, 3) Level of Service 4) Adaptation Action Areas and to proceed to amend the City's Comprehensive Plan.

Marcia Tobin and Jason Bird, AECOM presented recommendations from the Enhancing Resiliency Report for the next section that addresses Code Modifications: Group 2 Questions; 1) Freeboard 2) Pervious Paving. At the next meeting they will report on Group 4: Next Steps.

### **Planning for Sea Level Rise**

Michael Belush, Planning Department, introduced the topic of Zoning Issues Resulting from FEMA Rules; Flood Resistant Construction Elevation. Scott requested that the topic be the primary discussion at a future meeting so that consideration can be given to making recommendations that would then be processed through the City system for adoption.

### **Walter Meyer. Professor, Parsons, the New School**

Mr. Meyer spoke on Green Infrastructure. He talked about the difference between sustainability and resiliency, change and balance. He mentioned oyster walls, living sea walls, constructed wet lands, sand motors, bio shields, migration of dunes, root dunes and different types of water.

The next meeting will be held March 29, 11 a.m., City Manager's Large Conference Room. The meeting was adjourned at 1:45 p.m.



## Mayor's Blue Ribbon Panel on Sea Level Rise MEETING MINUTES - Draft March 29, 2016 - 11:00 a.m.

A meeting of the Mayor's Blue Ribbon Panel on Sea Level Rise was held Tuesday, March 29, 2016, 11:00 a.m. in the City Manager's Large Conference Room, 4<sup>th</sup> floor, Miami Beach City Hall.

**Panel Members Present:** Scott Robins, Chair, Michael De Filippi **Absent:** Wyn Bradley  
**Commissioners Present:** Joy Malakoff, John Elizabeth Aleman

The meeting was called to order by Scott Robins, Chair. It was m/s/p to accept the minutes as submitted from the meeting held 3/15/16.

### **Project Review – CIP and Public Works Department**

David Martinez, CIP Director, gave an update for projects on Lower North Bay Road, Sunset Islands 3 & 4, Palm & Hibiscus Islands, Venetian Islands and Central Bayshore South. Eric Carpenter, Assistant City Manager explained that the Public Works Department takes the lead on design and engineering of projects in the right of way and CIP takes the lead on construction. Bruce Mowry, City Engineer provided information for the upcoming West Avenue Projects, West Avenue Bridge, Washington Avenue and Collins Avenue pump stations (near the Convention Center Project), 63 Street Water Main Project and the 54" Force Main Project. The West Avenue Bridge Project will be on the April 13 Commission Agenda. Negotiations with the bidder are still underway to lower the initial price. Construction will last 210 days and the project is anticipated to begin June 2016. In response to a question raised by Commissioner Aleman, it was stated that Orchard Park and Nautilus drainage improvements will be implemented 2017-2018. Commissioner Malakoff raised concerns about traffic through the 63 Street work zone. The City's Transportation Department is reviewing traffic patterns and the Maintenance of Traffic Plan (MOT) to see if any changes can be made.

**Indian Creek –** The City and the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) are continuing discussions as they work out details before finalizing an agreement to undertake the joint Indian Creek Drive Flooding Mitigation Project. The design is being developed and a contractor will be identified. There will be outreach to private property owners to ask them to turn over land on the west side of the street to be incorporate into the design. The goal is to have this completed before breaking ground on the project. The height of a new seawall, landscaping and living seawall was discussed. A Public Meeting will be held in April to inform the community of the proposed project.

**Green Infrastructure –** Elizabeth Wheaton, Environmental Department Director, reviewed the information that had been quickly presented to the Panel by Walter Meyer at the Panel meeting held March 15, 2016. Betsy stressed the importance of establishing a healthy reef system that can grow in size and further protect the community. DERM, the State and potentially other regulatory agencies are required to permit plans that would be considered for implementation. She further described models from other seaside communities that have created green corridors to be self-sufficient neighborhoods. Susy Torriente, Assistant City Manager spoke of developing creative systems that would be compatible to the pump program being installed throughout Miami Beach. There is a desire to build sustainable neighborhoods with energy grids that provide electricity and connect to regular power systems for redundancy. Energy, drinking water, waste water treatment, irrigation systems are part of the overall program that can function in a defined neighborhood. The City's North Beach Neighborhood may be a good fit for a pilot program. Bruce has held discussions with North Beach Planners. Roy Coley, Public Works Infrastructure Director, spoke of salinity checks taken routinely by the city to track salt water intrusion into City irrigation systems. Betsy explained dune crests, plant species, how to regrade for more robust systems and the goal to continue to grow the dunes. Eric pointed out that the dunes are our best defense from storm surge. Susy announced that the City has submitted an application to the Rockefeller Foundation to participate in the 100 Resilient Cities program.

The next meeting will be held April 19, 11 a.m., City Manager's Large Conference Room. The meeting was adjourned at 12:40 p.m.

*We are committed to providing excellent public service and safety to all who live, work, and play in our vibrant, tropical, historic community.*



## **Mayor's Blue Ribbon Panel on Sea Level Rise MEETING MINUTES - Draft April 19, 2016 - 11:00 a.m.**

A meeting of the Mayor's Blue Ribbon Panel on Sea Level Rise was held Tuesday, April 19, 2016, 11:00 a.m. in the City Manager's Large Conference Room, 4<sup>th</sup> floor, Miami Beach City Hall.

**Panel Members Present:** Scott Robins, Chair, Michael De Filippi, Wyn Bradley

**Commissioners Present:** Joy Malakoff, John Elizabeth Aleman

The meeting was called to order by Scott Robins, Chair. It was m/s/p to accept the minutes as submitted from the meeting held 3/29/16.

### **Project Review – CIP and Public Works Department**

David Martinez, CIP Director, gave an update for projects on Lower North Bay Road, Sunset Islands 3 & 4, Palm & Hibiscus Islands, Venetian Islands and Central Bayshore South. Dr. Bruce Mowry, City Engineer distributed an update and reviewed projects including Sunset Neighborhood Improvements, West Avenue, Indian Creek Drive Storm Water Modifications between 26-41 Streets, Mid North Bay Road Drainage System, 48 Street Improvements, Washington Avenue Drainage, 19 Street Drainage Pump Station (Convention Center) Flamingo Park Neighborhood and Groundwater Investigation Project.

**Planning for Sea Level Rise –** Tom Mooney, Planning Director, Alejandro Garavito and Laura Camayo, Planning staff, presented case studies on developing guidelines for the adaptation of buildings to sea level rise. They used West Avenue as a study area as it is not in an historic district therefore it has more flexibility. Tom discussed the challenges of adapting buildings from different time periods. He discussed zoning issues resulting from FEMA rules and provided a draft case study table showing how Codes could be modified to drive a new type of building type. The case studies were intended only for new construction not for retrofitting historic buildings. Historic and non-historic building retrofits would have to be looked at on a case-by-case basis due to variability of materials in construction and relationship between the buildings and the street. Historic buildings will be studied separate from new construction. Cost and risk associated with moving historic buildings was discussed. The Panel had conversation on removing or making parking requirements more flexible and cars versus alternative transportation. Scott Robins said that he would like to complete the visioning process and see the recommended Code amendments and parking suggestions. Single family homes will be discusses with a similar presentation in the future.

**Historic Preservation and Sea Level Rise –** Susanne Torriente, Assistant City Manager, shared that staff attended a conference in Rhode Island focusing on Historic Properties and Sea Level Rise. She spoke of a partnership with the University of Miami School Of Architecture to develop design guidelines, reaching out to the Department of Labor and FEMA guidelines.

**Pump Station Design Options –** Eric Carpenter, Public Works Director and Dr. Mowry presented various pump station options designed by William Lane, Architect and Pininfarina of America Corp. Designers. The consultants worked independently on designs to be applied to both existing and new pumps. Design concepts will need to go to the Design Review Board (DRB). The intention is to get three concepts approved for different types in different areas. The Panel m/s/p to defer to the DRB for final decision. Public Works will meet with the Planning Department to narrow down options. Pump station designs in historic areas would require individual approval from the Historic Preservation Board (HPB). Wyn Bradley suggested that designs be developed for manhole covers.

Bruce asked that the green infrastructure component of the Indian Creek project be discussed May 17.

The next meeting will be held May 17, 11 a.m., City Manager's Large Conference Room.  
The meeting was adjourned at 1:00 p.m.



## Mayor's Blue Ribbon Panel on Sea Level Rise MEETING MINUTES - Draft May 17, 2016 - 11:00 a.m.

A meeting of the Mayor's Blue Ribbon Panel on Sea Level Rise was held Tuesday, May 17, 2016, 11:00 a.m. in the City Manager's Large Conference Room, 4<sup>th</sup> floor, Miami Beach City Hall.

**Panel Members Present:** Scott Robins, Chair, Michael De Filippi, Wyn Bradley

**Commissioners Present:** Joy Malakoff, John Elizabeth Aleman

The meeting was called to order by Scott Robins, Chair. It was m/s/p to accept the minutes as submitted from the meeting held 4/19/16.

**Project Review – CIP and Public Works Department** - Eric Carpenter, Assistant City Manager / Public Works Director, distributed and reviewed an update of CIP projects on Lower North Bay Road, Sunset Islands 3 & 4, Palm & Hibiscus Islands, Venetian Islands and Central Bayshore South. Dr. Bruce Mowry, City Engineer reviewed projects including Sunset Neighborhood Improvements with pump station change orders, West Avenue Improvements (ongoing and upcoming), West Avenue Bridge and Pedestrian Walkway construction, Mt. Sinai Pump Station, 19 Street Drainage Pump Station (Convention Center) and the upcoming Emergency Indian Creek Drive Storm Water Modifications between 26-41 Streets to be a joint project of FDOT and the City. There was discussion led by Elizabeth Wheaton, Environmental Department Director, on existing mangroves and future living shorelines to create a natural appearance along the west side of Indian Creek Drive.

**Stormwater/Public Works Manual Update** – Tom Mc Gowan, AECOM and Eric Carpenter explained that the City of Miami Beach Stormwater Master Plan was last updated in 2012. Changes in design will set out what the infrastructure of Miami Beach will look like over the next five years. Public Works will adopt new roadway elevations. Some Code changes have already been adopted by the Commission and others will be going to the Commission for approval. Susy Torriente, Assistant City Manager/Chief Resiliency Officer stated that Historic Preservation matters will be included. Marcia Tobin, AECOM gave a presentation on the document Enhancing Resiliency: Sea Level Adaptation Strategies, Proposed Code Modifications, Group 4, Parking and Community Rating System (CRS) Review. Specific parking issues focused on drainage and maintenance, temporary lots, provisional lots and off-street loading. The CRS Review is scheduled for 2017. The goal is to have Miami Beach go from a Class 6 to a Class 5 category in the National Flood Insurance Program which will benefit Miami Beach property owners. Jason Bird continued the presentation focusing on Green Infrastructure; Incorporating holistic water resource balancing, integrated management and hydrologic cycles to maximize ecological benefits. Several examples of incorporating green infrastructure emphasizing aesthetics and function were shown. Locations for projects will be identified. Meetings will be held with various City departments. The next step to be undertaken by AECOM will be Risk and Vulnerability Assessment. Bruce Mowry brought up ground water issues and the impending importance of collecting data. He announced that National Geographic wants to do a follow up article on Sea Level Rise in Miami Beach showing what we are doing and where we are going.

**Mayor's Blue Ribbon Panel on Sea Level Rise; Review of the Blue Ribbon Panel Work Plan** – Susy Torriente, Assistant City Manager, distributed for discussion a Draft Work Plan that includes key phases, milestones and deliverables for 1.) Current amendments (Legislative process), 2.) Priority Initiatives (what is actively being worked on now), 3.) Visioning (future topics to explore). Scott Robins requested that dates be built into the document. Commissioner Aleman mentioned that relevant items will be discussed at the next Land Use meeting.

The next Panel meeting will be held Tuesday, May 31, 11 a.m., City Manager's Large Conference Room. An additional meeting will be scheduled for July 19. The meeting was adjourned at 12:30 p.m.



## **Mayor's Blue Ribbon Panel on Sea Level Rise MEETING MINUTES - Draft May 31, 2016 - 11:00 a.m.**

A meeting of the Mayor's Blue Ribbon Panel on Sea Level Rise was held Tuesday, May 31, 2016, 11:00 a.m. in the City Manager's Large Conference Room, 4<sup>th</sup> floor, Miami Beach City Hall.

**Panel Members Present:** Scott Robins, Chair, Michael De Filippi, Wyn Bradley

The meeting was called to order by Scott Robins, Chair. It was m/s/p to accept the minutes as submitted from the meeting held 5/17/16.

**Project Review – CIP and Public Works Department** – Humberto Cabanas, CIP, distributed and reviewed an update of projects on Lower North Bay Road, Sunset Islands 3 & 4, Palm & Hibiscus Islands, Venetian Islands and Central Bayshore South. There was discussion for the need of back up pumps as we get into the higher tide months. Roy Coley, Public Works Operations will handle. Dr. Bruce Mowry, City Engineer reviewed projects. He reported that West Avenue pumps and drainage will be in place by the end of July. Alton Road full drainage is in place now. Sunset Harbour paving, drainage and raising of the streets continues. Bruce reported that several other projects are in various phases of procurement including the pump being discussed for Mt. Sinai, 48 Street Miami Heart, Convention Center Pump Station and Washington Avenue Pump Station. The Indian Creek Drive Storm Water Modifications from 26-41 Streets will be a joint project of FDOT and the City. The agreement between the City and FDOT was reviewed and recommended changes have been passed onto the City Attorney. Michael Di Fillipi suggested that base line information should be gathered before pumps are installed to better track water quality status for Indian Creek and Collins Canal. Elizabeth Wheaton, Environmental Department Director stated that there are water quality reports from DERM that are currently available going back to 2007. She also spoke about the importance of water quality improvements. Bruce said that living sea walls will be part of the Indian Creek Project and that we have the support of regulatory agencies to implement them. Scott Robins, Chair, talked about the anticipated super tide anticipated to be on November 14 that is based on the alignment of the Earth, sun and moon. The moon will be closest to the earth since 1948. This is a normal cycle with the moon not related to sea level rise but its effects on top of sea level rise may potentially be felt.

**Stormwater/Public Works Manual Update** – Camille Tharpe, GSG consultant to AECOM, made a presentation to the Panel on Equivalent Residential Units (ERU). To change the current City program that measures water use, ordinance modifications need to go to City Commission for two readings and a public hearing. Modifications would include updating impervious area information, updating the ERU value, creating residential, condominium and general rate classes and developing tiers for residential categories. It was m/s/p to recommend Scenario # 2: Single Family Tiers from the GSG/AECOM, City of Miami Beach Stormwater Funding Presentation to the Mayor's Blue Ribbon Panel on Sea Level Rise presented to the Panel on May 31, 2016; to look at the socio economic financial burden on smaller homes and to incentivize the preservation of more permeable surfaces addressing the effects of Sea Level Rise including water retention and water quality.

**Mayor's Blue Ribbon Panel on Sea Level Rise; Review of the Blue Ribbon Panel Work Plan** – Susy Torriente, Assistant City Manager, announced that the City of Miami Beach has the distinction of being part of the first 100 Resilient Cities awarded by the Rockefeller Foundation. Susy distributed the Draft Work Plan from last month that includes key phases, milestones and deliverables for 1.) Current amendments (Legislative process), 2.) Priority Initiatives (what is actively being worked on now) and 3.) Visioning (future topics to explore). As requested by Scott Robins at the last meeting, dates have been built into the document. Discussion on the document will be at the next meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:10 p.m. The next Panel meeting will be held Tuesday, July 19, 11 a.m., City Manager's Large Conference Room.

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<b>BOARD OR COMMITTEE NAME:</b>	Mayor's North Beach Master Plan Steering Committee
<b>CHAIRPERSON:</b>	Margueritte Ramos
<b>CITY LIAISON:</b>	Jeffrey L. Oris, CEcD
<b>NUMBER OF MEETINGS HELD:</b>	9

## ACTIVITY:

The Committee has met seven times to discuss various topics and issues to be addressed by the North Beach Master Plan. These issues have been brought to the Committee by the City's Master Planner. One of these meetings was to directly respond to a draft master plan presented by the Master Planner.

The Committee hosted one community workshop to discuss neighborhood preservation issues. This topic is a major concern for the master plan.

The Committee hosted one special meeting for the master planning firm to present the draft North Beach Master Plan to the committee and the public.

The Committee members also played host to numerous aspects of the North Beach Master Plan Design Charrette held over a one week period in February.

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## FUTURE ACTIVITIES:

The Committee will meet two or three more times over the summer to put final touches on the Draft Master Plan and then will make a final recommendation to the Mayor and Commission as to the sufficiency of the Final Draft of the Master Plan prepared by the consultants.

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## ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

The Committee played host for the North Beach Master Plan Design Charrette in February. This included members attending the opening hands-on, design session at the senior center, numerous technical meeting of key North Beach issues, a walking tour, a bike tour, a seminar on sea level rise and its effect on North Beach, and a wrap-up, public input workshop.

The Committee has also hosted two additional public workshops: one to discuss neighborhood preservation issues, and a second to present to the public the Draft Master Plan.

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**BOARD OR COMMITTEE NAME:** Miami Beach Marine & Waterfront Protection Authority

**CHAIRPERSON:** Captain Dan Kipnis

**CITY LIAISON:** Mercedes Carcasses

**NUMBER OF MEETINGS HELD SINCE January 2016:** 6

**ACTIVITY:**

Indian Creek Living Shoreline
Beach Renourishment
Waterway Cleanliness
Vagrancy, Homelessness, Safety Issues, Ocean Drive to Lincoln Rd.
Purdy Avenue Boat Ramp
Duck Tours
Use of Personal Floatation Devices
Beachfront Management Plan
Beach Concessionaire Plan
Beach Public Safety
ING Race on MacArthur Causeway
Barry University Rowing Team
Water Taxi



Water Quality Monitoring
Seawall Design
Miami Beach Gondola
Sea Level Rise Updates
Miami Heart Institute Demolition Debris
Florida Seagrass Water Sampling Project
Kite Surfer Rules & Regulations
Miami Watersports Center
Turkey Point Power Plant Cooling Canal Outflow and Pollution
Blueways Master Plan
Beach Water Channel Operators
Service Dogs on the Beach
Mount Sinai Living Seawall Design
Boardwalk Grilling and Vending During Special Events
Dock Master Purdy Boat Ramp
Boat Show Styrofoam Float Use
Kitesurfing Rules
Emergency Dockage Barge Facility
JCC Kayak & Paddleboard Operations
Mechanical Sand Cleaning Devices
Waterway Traffic Design for Indian Creek
Biscayne Bay Water Quality/Sunset Islands 3-4 Siltation
Field Beach Monitor
Floatopia

## **ACTIONS**

Approved Davidson Charters LLC Rip Boat Tour
Resolution: Personal Floatation Devices
LTC: Waterborne Transportation Concession Service
LTC: Maurice Gibb Boat Ramp
Approved: Miami Beach Gondolas
Approved: Skybandits Intl. Inc.
Approved: SwimGym LLC Application

## **FUTURE ACTIVITIES**

Permit and licensing application review as requested.
Review and authorization of any appropriate water use related issues for the City of Miami Beach
Coordinate siting and infrastructure for water taxis
Continue with plans for a possible marina at Purdy ramp
Help facilitate a Blue Plan for Miami Beach
Review water sampling from ongoing storm water pumping
Continue to establish a navigable channel north of Julia Tuttle Causeway
Continue efforts for designated launching sites for non-powered water craft at Purdy Boat Ramp
Emergency Barge Dock Infrastructure
Continue efforts to establish living sea walls at Mount Saini and other City seawalls.
Continue efforts for designated launching sites for non-powered water craft at new City seawalls.
Monitor beach re-nourishment projects

## **ACCOMPLISHMENTS:**

As always the Authority remains ready to review and recommend marine related businesses seeking permits to operate on Miami Beach. Additionally, with the merging of the Waterfront Protection Committee and the Marine Board, the new committee has a widely expanded role in Miami Beach's water and beach issues.

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**BOARD OR COMMITTEE NAME:**

Human Rights Committee

**CHAIRPERSON:**

Alan Fishman

**CITY LIAISONS:**

Erick Chiroles

Cilia Maria Ruiz-Paz

**NUMBER OF MEETINGS HELD SINCE January 1, 2016:** 6

**ACTIVITIES:**

Met with Miami Beach Code Compliance, Finance & Communications departments to discuss the dissemination of the "*Discrimination is Illegal*" Poster and Public Service Announcement. Continued efforts to ensure posting requirements for the Anti-Discrimination Ordinance are being followed city-wide.

Met with representatives from the Miami Beach Police Department (MBPD) to discuss the following issues:

- The acquisition of officers specializing in human trafficking
- The use of license plate readers during large events
- PALs involvement in schools regarding anti-bullying efforts
- Internal Affairs' excessive use of force reporting procedures

Researched and discussed Human Rights ordinances and laws in San Francisco, Portland, Seattle, Minneapolis, New York, New Orleans, Austin, Las Vegas, Denver, Los Angeles, Boston, Chicago and France.

Met with the City Attorney's Office regarding an expansion of the Human Rights Ordinance to include new protected classes.

Met with representatives from the Yes Institute regarding restroom usage based upon gender identity.

**ACCOMPLISHMENTS:**

Held a human trafficking event at the Colony Theater to raise community awareness of the issue.

Passed the following Resolutions:

**RESOLUTION 1:**

to recommend that the Miami Beach Mayor and City Commission amend the Miami Beach Human Rights Ordinance (Ordinance No. 2010-3669) to include the words "actual or perceived" within its opening paragraph; and to modify the protected classes status within the ordinance to include the following categories: ancestry, height, weight, domestic partner status, trade union membership, health, familial situation, and political affiliation.

**RESOLUTION 2:**

to encourage the Miami Beach Mayor and City Commission to expand the recent ban-the-box ordinance on employment applications for city employees and contractors to city-wide implementation.

**RESOLUTION 3:**

to support the City Commission's position to continue acquiring rental properties to provide affordable housing on Miami Beach.

**RESOLUTION 4:**

to encourage the City of Miami Beach Mayor and Commission to:

- create a public education campaign for the community regarding gender identity issues;
- enact legislation requiring any single-use restroom be gender neutral and labeled as such;
- encourage voluntary adoption of the "safe space" policy based upon gender identity and restroom usage; and
- create an application and/or website to identify where gender neutral bathrooms and "safe space" restrooms are located.

**FUTURE ACTIVITIES:**

Continue discussion regarding local health institutions' policies towards issues surrounding human trafficking.

Continue community education efforts to explain and promote the human rights violations claim process and the city wide use of flyers and public service announcements.

Continue discussions with the MBPD regarding progress in tackling and significantly reducing human trafficking in Miami Beach.


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Miami Beach Health Facilities Authority
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**BOARD OR COMMITTEE NAME:**

**CHAIRPERSON:** Arthur Unger

**CITY LIAISON:** Juan Rodriguez

**NUMBER OF MEETINGS HELD SINCE January 1, 2016:** NONE

**ACTIVITIES:**


**ACCOMPLISHMENTS:**






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<b>BOARD OR COMMITTEE NAME:</b>	Miami Beach Sister Cities Committee
<b>CHAIRPERSON:</b>	George Neary
<b>CITY LIAISON:</b>	Danila Bonini and Tathiane Trofino
<b>NUMBER OF MEETINGS HELD:</b>	Five Meetings

**ACTIVITY:** The Committee met as follows:

January 28<sup>th</sup> Meeting  
February No Meeting  
March 2<sup>th</sup> Meeting  
April 6<sup>th</sup> Meeting  
May 4<sup>th</sup> Meeting  
June 1<sup>st</sup> Meeting

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### FUTURE ACTIVITIES:

Sister Cities International Annual Conference in D.C. July 13<sup>th</sup> – 16<sup>th</sup>.

Re-establishing relationships with all of our current sister cities.

Engaging the Public Works Department for new signage for the Sister Cities signs and update the friendship garden.

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### ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

Awaiting response from Salamanca, but all contact was made beforehand.

The Committee connected with our local elementary schools to participate in Japan Day – an art contest that was showcased at the Miami Beach Botanical Gardens and in Fujisawa. The committee received 157 entries.

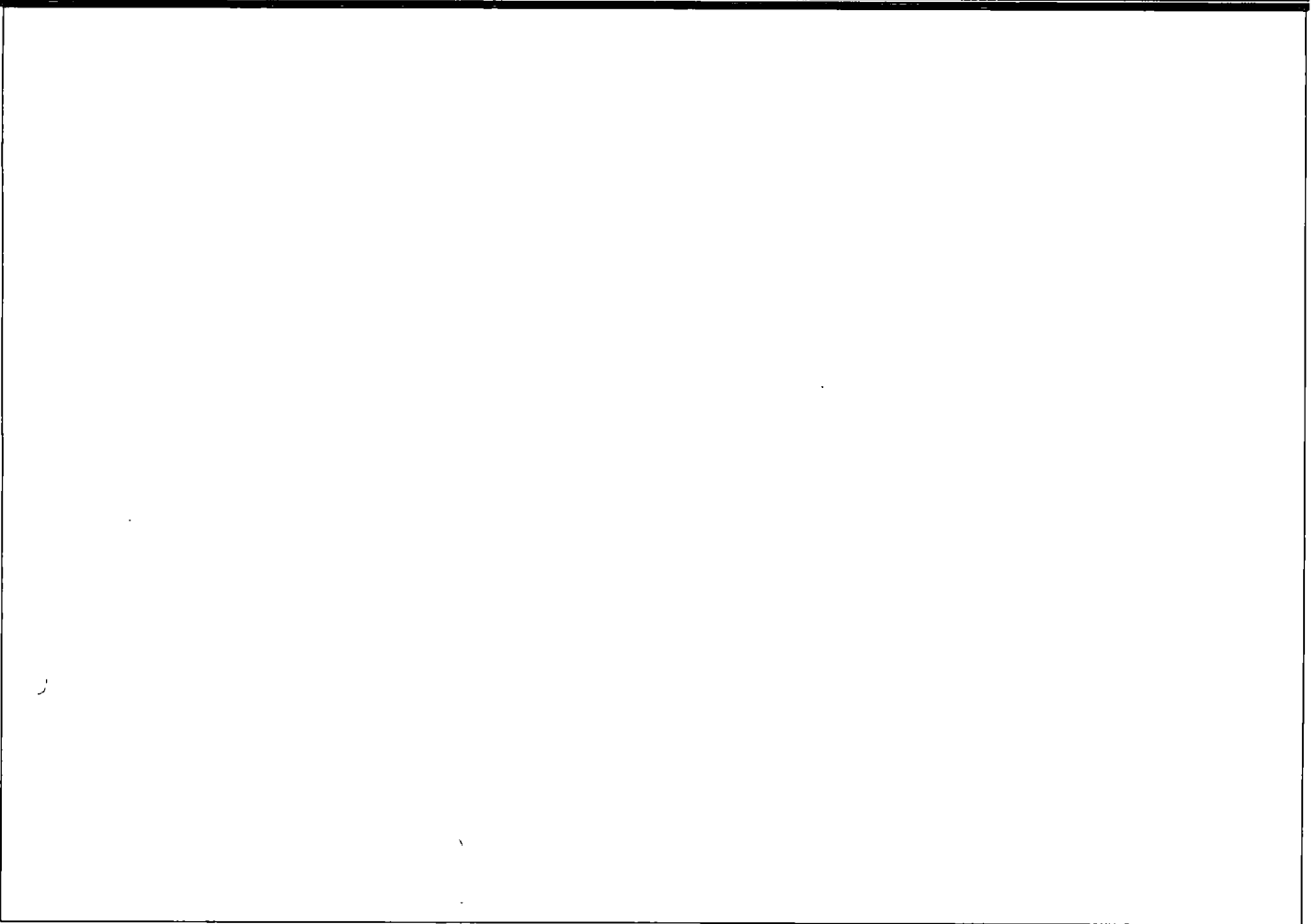
Japan Consulate Day Event – Commissioner Malakoff represented the City of Miami Beach, and a presentation was prepared for the occasion.

Sister Cities International Annual Conference was hosted in the City of Miami Beach. Our Chair, George Neary, set up an open bus tour and Mayor Philip Levine attended the last meeting and gave the opening remarks.

A delegation headed by Mayor Philip Levine, Commissioner Joy Malakoff, Commissioner Arriola, Chair George Neary, and Fujisawa delegate Harvey Burstein visited Fujisawa, Japan, our oldest sister city.

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**BOARD OR COMMITTEE NAME:** Normandy Shores Gov. Neighborhood Improvement

**CHAIRPERSON:** N/A

**CITY LIAISON:** Cintya Ramos

**NUMBER OF MEETINGS HELD SINCE January 1, 2016 – June 30, 2016: Total = 1**

**ACTIVITIES:**

*There were no meetings held in January 2016 through May 2016*

**06/27/2016 Meeting Agenda:**

- Review Proposed FY17 Operating Budget and Ad Valorem Millage Rate for the Normandy Shores Local Government Neighborhood Improvement Taxing District,
- FY17 Preliminary Taxable Values.

**ACCOMPLISHMENTS:**

- The FY17 budget remains the same amount as the FY16 (\$226,000).
- The Board agreed to keep as reserves 20,000 in the budget for AAA repairs.
- The Millage rate Preliminary Property Assessment values as of June 1<sup>st</sup> 2016 is 174,000,000 which is a 13.6% increase over the 2015 values and the roll back rate is .8806.

**FUTURE ACTIVITIES:**

- Set Meeting for early August.
- Security Guards update and the financial impact due to the new contract.
- Guard House update.
- Set FY17 Millage.

# BOARDS AND COMMITTEE BI-ANNUAL REPORT

<b>BOARD OR COMMITTEE NAME:</b>	Parks and Recreational Facilities Advisory Board
<b>CHAIRPERSON:</b>	Carolina Jones
<b>CITY LIAISON:</b>	Cynthia Casanova
<b>NUMBER OF MEETINGS HELD:</b>	6 (January 6, 2016, February 3, 2016, March 2, 2016, April 4, 2016, May 4, 2016 and May 25, 2016)

## ACTIVITY:

The Parks and Recreational Facilities Board addressed several different issues and areas of concern during the past six months:

- New Playground at Scott Rakow Youth Center
- New Fire Station, which is proposed to be located at Flamingo Park
- North Shore Park Tennis Restroom Renovation
- Competition Pool Study
- Updates from Miami Beach Tennis Management
- North Beach Master Plan
- Programming Options for a particular area at Flamingo Park
- Muss Park Pavilion
- 11<sup>th</sup> Street Sidewalk Along Flamingo Park Widening Project
- Skate Park Options
- Opening a Facebook Account for the Parks and Recreational Facilities Advisory Board

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### FUTURE ACTIVITIES:

The Parks and Recreational Facilities Advisory Board will continue to discuss the following topics:

- Skate Park Options
- Opening a Facebook Account for the Parks and Recreational Facilities Advisory Board
- North Beach Master Plan
- Competition Pool Study
- New Fire Station, which is proposed to be located at Flamingo Park

The Board will also be involved in providing their input in future park plans as well as setting expectations and areas of interests to focus on in the future.



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### ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

The following list are motions that the Parks and Recreational Facilities Advisory Board made in the past 6 months based on their activity:

- Flamingo Park is the City's primary recreational park, particularly in the southern part of Miami Beach and that the land encompassing Flamingo Park is already limited and valuable for the recreational use of our residents. Accordingly we do not think any portion of the park, particularly the options of using the parking lot at 11<sup>th</sup> Street, or the parking lot by the baseball field should be used for the Fire House relocation.
- The Parks and Recreational Facilities Advisory Board has reviewed the Fire House 1 proposed location options that were presented and it is the board's opinion that option 1 is the best option for the City, the Fire Department and the Parks and Recreation Department.
- After giving careful consideration of the needs of the residents of Miami Beach for municipal swimming pool with a primary focus on competitive swimming and water polo (Diving could be considered in the design as a third option, if feasible), and on the different options, between a 25yd x 25m pool (Community Based Pool) vs 25yd x 50m pool (Regional Pool: Olympic-size), it is the recommendation of the Parks and Recreational Facilities Advisory Board that the Commission approve, at a minimum, a 25yd x 50m pool (Regional Pool: Olympic-size). In terms of location, we strongly recommend that the City look at the West Lots as an ideal site; considering the fact that the property may be developed for other recreational use, with a second choice being the Par 3 and a third choice being at Flamingo Park.
- The Parks and Recreational Facilities Advisory Board is aware of certain resident's concerns about loss of access to the park; however, the fact is that Muss Park has always been used for after-school and summer camp programming and accordingly, the renovation will not in any respect change the resident's use or access to the facility, relative to how the park has historically been operated. For that reason we recommend that the City proceed with the current reconstruction design; preferably, design option "B" over option "A" and do not believe that design option "C" is reasonable, appropriate, or in the best interest of the City of Miami Beach. Further, we are also aware that the DRB raised concerns with construction of the new Muss Park Pavilion until the seawall is dealt with. We have been assured that from a structural engineering standpoint, the seawall as it currently stands will not affect the integrity of the new renovation and therefore we do not believe that should be a basis to hold up proceeding with the reconstruction.
- The City Commission has asked the Parks and Recreational Facilities Advisory Board to look at different options for a particular area in Flamingo Park and after careful consideration, our recommendations are (in order of preference) batting cages, mini golf, soccer, mini garden, and a roller rink.

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**BOARD OR COMMITTEE NAME:**                      PLANNING BOARD

**CHAIRPERSON:**    BRIAN ELIAS

**CITY LIAISON:**    MICHAEL BELUSH –Planning & Zoning Manager

**DATE OF REPORT:** January through June 2016

**NUMBER OF MEETINGS HELD DURING THIS REPORTING PERIOD:**    6

MEETING DATE	AGENDA ITEMS	APPROVED	DENIED	Presentation/ DISCUSSED	Deferred/ CONTINUED	PRELIM REVIEWS	NO ACTION/ WITHDRAWN
Jan 26	20	7		11	1		1
Feb 23	10	4		3	1		2
March 22	10	3		2	5		
April 19	16	7	1	2	6		
May 24	12	5		1	6		
Jun 28	26	14		2	9		1
Totals	94	40	1	21	28		4

Note: Some totals may not match due to some items being removed from the Agenda at the last minute.

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<b>BOARD OR COMMITTEE NAME:</b>	Police Citizen Relations Committee
<b>CHAIRPERSON:</b>	Richard Hull
<b>CITY LIAISON:</b>	Chief Daniel J. Oates
<b>NUMBER OF MEETINGS HELD:</b>	6

**ACTIVITY:** 2016 Police Citizen Relations Committee meetings were held on January 19, February, 16, March 15, April 19, May 17, and June 21. Please see below:

Minutes of January 19, 2016 meeting:

Members present: Claire Warren Adam Kravitz  
Jack Benveniste Michael Perlmutter  
Richard Hull Monica Fluke  
Daniel Aronson Steven Oppenheimer  
Walter Lucero Meryl Wolfson  
Nelson Gonzalez

Presentation by Chief Oates on where the MBPD is headed in 2016. The following issues were discussed:

- Twice-monthly Crime strategy meetings (CSM) with the creation of a data warehouse to assist in crime analysis
- Expansion of Body Worn Camera (BWC) program, new Department policy
- New hiring standards, including college degree requirement and new program for basic, non-certified recruits
- New Park Ranger program (Sgt. Torres detailed to Parks Department)
- Change in off-duty policy
- Traffic Initiatives
- Expansion of MBPD street cameras and fixed LPRs
- IACP-Egypt partnership on sexual assault investigations training
- MBPD Lobby as Safe Haven Trade Zone
- 80 new AEDs assigned to Patrol
- Addition of 7 sworn positions (5 new motor positions, 1 detective to SAO for Human Trafficking Unit and 1 officer for the training unit)

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Minutes of the February 16 2016 meeting:

Members present:	Michael Perlmutter	Claire Warren
	Richard Hull	Faye Goldin
	Sid Goldin	Daniel Aronson
	Steven Oppenheimer	Monica Fluke
	Pamela Brumer	Bruce Reich
	Meryl Wolfson	Adam Kravitz
	Jack Benveniste	Major Rick Clements

Presentation by Major Rick Clements on the changes in the MBPD's Use of Force policy:

- Use of Force de-escalation techniques and policy
- Additional training with emphasis on time and distance principles
- Considering introduction of shields and less-lethal weaponry
- Discussion of Scotland model / PERF initiative

Minutes of the March 15, 2016 meeting:

Members present:	Michael Perlmutter	Claire Warren
	Richard Hull	Faye Goldin
	Sid Goldin	Daniel Aronson
	Steven Oppenheimer	Monica Fluke
	Pamela Brumer	Bruce Reich
	Meryl Wolfson	Adam Kravitz
	Jack Benveniste	FOP Robert Jenkins

Presentation by Captain Ian Robinson on the MBPD and City's efforts with the homeless:

- City's Homeless Outreach Team works collaboratively with the MBPD to provide an integrated response structure
- City & Police use data tracking to hold people accountable to their circumstances and empower police to differentiate between those who are homeless by circumstance and those who are homeless by choice
- City offers care coordination which tailors action plans to the individual and pushes them away from continuum of care and towards community norms
- Homeless Solutions meeting to coordinate between City & MBPD

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Minutes of the April 19, 2016 meeting:

Members present:	Richard Streim	Michael Perlmutter
	Jack Benveniste	Leslie Coller
	Claire Warren	Pamela Brumer
	Monica Fluke	Daniel Aronson
	Steven Oppenheimer	Richard Hull
	Bruce Reich	Lea Reich
	Meryl Wolfson	

Presentation by Lieutenant Toby Rabelo on the MBPD and City's efforts with Spring Break:

- Enhanced MBPD staffing – modified alpha/bravo
- Code Compliance enforcement of alcohol-related ordinances
- Additional Parking Department personnel
- Goodwill Ambassadors
- Sky-Watch Towers
- Additional Sanitation and Parks & Recreation personnel on duty
- Large crowds cleared from the beach at sundown
- Ocean Drive Road closures at peak weekend periods

Discussion of the Floatopia event:

- Enhanced police, ocean rescue, sanitation, parking staffing
- Much higher than expected turnout
- Police held over afternoon shift and brought in midnight shift early
- Heavy rain at the end of the day caused mass exodus from the beach with significant amounts of trash left behind
- Traffic accident on the Macarthur Causeway contributed to south of 5<sup>th</sup> street gridlock

Minutes of the May 17, 2016 meeting:

Members present:	Bruce Reich	Lea Reich
	Danny Aronson	Claire Warren
	Michael Perlmutter	Monica Fluke
	Adam Kravitz	Jack Benveniste
	Richard Streim	Steven Oppenheimer
	Faye Goldin	Sidney Goldin
	Meryl Wolfson	Pamela Brumer
	Richard Hull	

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Presentation by Major Causey regarding the 2016 Memorial Day Weekend Plan:

The Police Department will have enhanced staffing through MDW in the geographic areas of the City as well as in the Entertainment District with posts assigned on Collins Ave, Ocean Drive, and Washington Ave. They will also have the Rapid Response Units deployed. In addition, there will be Motors, the Strategic Investigations Unit, Criminal Investigations Unit, a Beach detail (similar to what was used during spring break), Robbery Intervention Detail, Multi-Agency Gang Task Force (Countywide Task Force), CST, and plain clothes officers on the street.

The traffic and crowd management plan developed for this MEP is designed to control the flow of vehicles into and around the City. To assist the MBPD, mutual aid support is being provided by Miami-Dade Police, Miami Police, FHP, Miami-Dade School Board Police, Village of Biscayne Park Police, Surfside Police, Bal Harbor Police, Miami Gardens Police, Coral Gables Police, Miami Shores Police, and FIU Police. These officers will be patrolling on foot, on bikes, on ATVs, and in marked vehicles.

To help proactively address issues as they occur, stationary and mobile cameras have been installed throughout the City. In addition, 70 light towers, a minimum of twenty visual message boards, and two watch towers are being deployed. The MBPD will also be using a light all-terrain vehicle which utilizes infrared technology to detect heat signatures on the beach at night. These cameras are constantly monitored and will help alert officers if trouble occurs before it escalates into a chaotic event.

The MBPD will also be using license plate readers on the causeways to scan for stolen vehicles or owners with outstanding warrants. From Friday to Sunday, license plate readers that use multi-angle scanners to record vehicle tags will be placed along the Julia Tuttle and MacArthur causeways to record almost every car that comes into South Beach. DUI saturation patrols will be conducted throughout the weekend. The City of Miami Police Department will be conducting a DUI checkpoint westbound on the MacArthur causeway at Watson Island on Thursday night. As in previous years, Ocean Drive will be closed to vehicular traffic and the traffic loop will be in effect between Collins and Washington Avenue.

Richard Hull was elected to be the committee chairman.

Minutes of the June 21, 2016 meeting:

Members present:	Daniel Aronson	Monica Fluke
	Richard Hull	Pamela Brumer
	Steven Oppenheimer	Faye Goldin
	Suzan Speiser	Bruce Reich
	Jack Benveniste	Meryl Wolfson
	Robert Jenkins	D/C Laretta Hill

The Memorial Day Weekend Plan worked well. We have received considerable positive feedback including many photos of citizens with police officers posted on various social media sites.

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The MBPD is planning a nightclub / hotel security symposium to address concerns raised by the mass shooting in Orlando. This will include:

- Threat awareness as it relates to event planning.
- Contingency planning (The "what if" segment of the planning).
- Identifying suspicious activity and reporting it to the MBPD.
- Reporting suspicious activity as it relates to current and/or former employees.
- Conduct walkthroughs of all nightclubs with SWAT personnel and Area Captains.

The possibility of attending the committee meetings via telephone was discussed. No recommendation or vote was made to implement this idea.

The planned discussion of the MBPD hurricane plan was postponed till the next meeting.

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### FUTURE ACTIVITIES:

#### POLICE/CITIZENS RELATIONS COMMITTEE 2016 CALENDAR

January 19, 2016	May 17, 2016	September 20, 2016
February 16, 2016	June 21, 2016	October 18, 2016
March 15, 2016	July 19, 2016	November 15, 2016
April 19, 2016	<b><u>NO AUGUST MEETING</u></b>	December 20, 2016

All of the above meetings will be held in the Community Room of the Miami Beach Police Department at 6:00 p.m.



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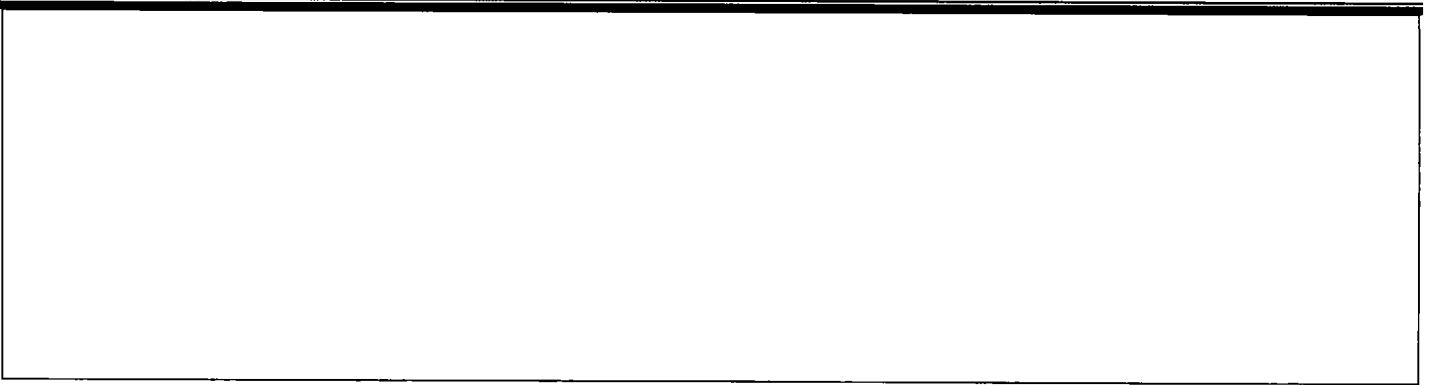
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### ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

- The Police/Citizen's Relations Committee provides the means for a better understanding of the policies and procedures of the Miami Beach Police Department.
- The Police/Citizen's Relations Committee affords the Miami Beach Police Department the opportunity to communicate to the community information regarding current events, changes in the Police Department, and allows for community concerns to be brought to the attention of the Chief of Police.

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# BOARDS AND COMMITTEE BI-ANNUAL REPORT

<b>BOARD OR COMMITTEE NAME:</b>	Production Industry Council - PIC
<b>CHAIRPERSON:</b>	Daniel Davidson
<b>CITY LIAISON:</b>	Graham Winick
<b>NUMBER OF MEETINGS HELD:</b>	11 meetings / year. Second Tuesday of every month with August/September combined.

**ACTIVITY:** To understanding, evaluate and advance the benefits of film, production and entertainment as it relates to residents, business, tourism and overall commerce for the City of Miami Beach.

Special areas of focus include, but are not limited to:

Understanding and promoting the importance of State & Local Film Incentives.

Helping to establish the strong link between a well-funded / politically supported film incentive program and a robust Florida economy with growing tourism and enhancing the "Florida" brand.

Understanding the competitive nature of film incentives in other states (LA, CA, GA, NC, others).

Streamlining Film permitting process.

Understanding and proposing streamlined methods for the Building Department permitting process as it relates to production and temporary event sector.

To attend, observe and develop relationships with attendees of National Association of Television Producers and Executives (NATPE) and other industry organizations.

Meet with local business leaders to understand their concerns and facilitate when possible solutions to local challenges.

Liaise with the Office of Film and Entertainment – OFE, Dade Delegation and to provide support when and where necessary to increase availability and access to film incentives.

Transitioned in three new members of to the Production Industry Council.

Created a PIC one sheet explaining what the committee represents and is meant to achieve, as a means to help new members and better identify goals and outcomes.

Met and will continue to work with Miami Dade Film Office as the County looks to implement local incentive program.

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## FUTURE ACTIVITIES:

Ongoing efforts in areas outlined above including new areas of focus as may be determined by change in political climate as it relates to film incentives, permitting issues, or other challenges or opportunities as may arise.

Visit the Viacom production studios and determine if there are opportunities to enhance the overall level of production in Miami-Dade.

To identify other areas of economic and other support to incentivize both established and emerging film and digital production in the State of Florida and more specifically Miami-Dade.

Work with City, VCA, CAC to identify ways to improve existing and potential opportunities for incentivizing productions to Miami Beach.

Meet with local infrastructure elements (Viacom, We Work, Miami-Dade's MAGIC school, Hive, Rokkr, etc) to understand developing content creation community.

Identify types of productions most in need of support (ie, indie film, digital media) and continue to explore finance options through the digital/film finance subcommittee.

Support streamlining film and event guidelines.

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## ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

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Better understand the impediments to film incentives and help posture this, and other organizations, to reserve the dangerous trend of diminishing economic support of film and digital production at the local, county, regional and state levels.

To apprise local political leadership on the importance of the streamlining processes for obtaining permits when applicants are in compliance with local laws and ordinances.

Created a PIC one sheet explaining what the committee represents and is meant to achieve, as a means to help new members and better identify goals and outcomes.

Provided legislative support to Film Florida and industry during Legislative session.

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<b>BOARD OR COMMITTEE NAME:</b>	Sustainability Committee
<b>CHAIRPERSON:</b>	David Doeblen
<b>CITY LIAISON:</b>	Flavia Tonioli, Sustainability Manager
<b>NUMBER OF MEETINGS HELD:</b>	5

## ACTIVITY:

To identify and promote policies and practices with the City of Miami Beach aimed at achieving a sustainable environment, as well as to minimize negative impacts and maximize benefits to the environment.

## FUTURE ACTIVITIES:

Engage in issues that are relevant to the Sustainability Plan's program areas and support enhancing the environmental sustainability of the City.

Support continued efforts to monitor and maintain the cleanliness of the City's waterways.

Identify opportunities for incorporating green infrastructure, reducing stormwater impacts, and improving water quality Citywide.

Support the educational campaign for the polystyrene ban.

Identify opportunities for the anti-litter and polystyrene campaign.

Support a volunteer plastic bag campaign.

Support the development of a Sea Level Rise personal adaptation kit for residents.

Support improvements for the stormwater collection systems regarding its potential environmental impacts, such as adding filtration of trash while not reducing the capacity of the pump station system.

Support tree canopy as a priority within the City.

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Support the development of a Sustainability and Resiliency Program by advocating for the allocation of funds to further develop a viable program to support adaptation and mitigation strategies and initiatives.

## ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

Supported outreach campaign to inform the commercial family residences and the business community of the City's Recycling Ordinance mandating recycling for businesses and multi-family residences. Created the 'trash talks' during the Sustainability Committee in order to discuss recycling and have it as a standing item for discussion for every meeting.

Supported the development of a campaign to educate the local businesses about the polystyrene ban.

Conducted Styrofoam cooler-swapping program at various city events and holidays to support the polystyrene ordinance and decrease disposable cooler use on city beaches.

Continued to identify and combat concerns with ongoing litter issues including increasing the enforcement of the City's existing zero-litter policy.

Supported the development of an anti-litter campaign for residents and visitors.

Continued to support the reallocation of funds from the Dade Recycling revenue towards the City's recycling and/or educational campaigns.

Supported the Miami Beach Engine Idling Law Ordinance which requires that engines of all vehicles which are unattended be turned off, except those that are explicitly exempted.

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**JANUARY THROUGH JUNE 2016**

**BOARD OR COMMITTEE NAME:** TRANSPORTATION, PARKING & BICYCLE-PEDESTRIAN FACILITIES

**CHAIRPERSON:** ALFRED FEOLA

**CITY LIAISON:** SAUL FRANCES

**NUMBER OF MEETINGS HELD SINCE JANUARY 2016:** SIX (6)

**ACTIVITY:**

**January 4, 2016:**

- 41<sup>st</sup> Street
- Transportation Department Items:
  - Alton-West Trolley
  - Mid-Beach Trolley
  - North Beach Trolley
  - ITS/Traffic Monitoring & Management
  - Transportation Master Plan
  - Bicycle Safety Campaign
  - Bicycle/Pedestrian Master Plan
  - Beach Corridor Transit Connectivity Study
  - Misc. Traffic Studies & Transit Reports
- Chair & Vice-Chair Appointment

**February 8, 2016:**

- Citi Bike – Address Complaints
- Car2Go Update
- City of Miami B
- Transportation Department Items:
  - Signature Bridge Discussion
  - Alton-West Trolley
  - Mid-Beach Trolley
  - North Beach Trolley
  - ITS/Traffic Monitoring & Management
  - Transportation Master Plan
  - Bicycle Safety Campaign
  - Bicycle/Pedestrian Master Plan
  - Beach Corridor Transit Connectivity Study
  - Misc. Traffic Studies & Transit Reports
- Status Report Items: Parking Status Reports – Sep/Oct/Nov 2015
- Conference Call w/ Miami Dade County re; Bridge Between Belle Isle/Purdy

**March 7, 2016:**

- Non-Armed Traffic Officers
- 41<sup>st</sup> Street Presentation
- I-395 Reconstruction Project
- Transportation Department Items:
  - Water Taxi
  - Bus Shelters



<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Commission Workshop on Traffic Management</li> <li>○ Alton-West Trolley</li> <li>○ Mid-Beach Trolley</li> <li>○ North Beach Trolley</li> <li>○ ITS/Traffic Monitoring &amp; Management</li> <li>○ Transportation Master Plan</li> <li>○ Bicycle Safety Campaign</li> <li>○ Bicycle/Pedestrian Master Plan</li> <li>○ Beach Corridor Transit Connection Study</li> <li>○ Misc. Traffic Studies &amp; Transit Reports</li> <li>• Status Report Items: Parking Status Report – Dec 2015</li> </ul>
<p><b><u>April 4, 2016:</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ CIP Updates <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Normandy Isle ROW Phase II</li> <li>○ Central Bayshore ROW</li> <li>○ Lower North Bay</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Garage Development Projects</li> <li>• Transportation Division Items: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Alton-West Trolley</li> <li>○ Mid-Beach Trolley</li> <li>○ North Beach Trolley</li> <li>○ ITS/Traffic Monitoring &amp; Management</li> <li>○ Transportation Master Plan</li> <li>○ Bicycle Safety Campaign</li> <li>○ Bicycle/Pedestrian Master Plan</li> <li>○ Beach Corridor Transit Connection Study</li> <li>○ Misc. Traffic Studies &amp; Transit Reports</li> </ul> </li> <li>• LTC Discussion</li> <li>• Discussion Items: Committee Appointments; Miami Dade</li> </ul>
<p><b><u>May 2, 2016:</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• CIP Projects Update</li> <li>• Indian Creek Project</li> <li>• Workforce Housing Presentation</li> <li>• Transportation Department Items: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Alton-West Trolley</li> <li>○ Mid-Beach Trolley</li> <li>○ North Beach Trolley</li> <li>○ ITS/Traffic Monitoring &amp; Management</li> <li>○ Transportation Master Plan</li> <li>○ Bicycle Safety Campaign</li> <li>○ Bicycle/Pedestrian Master Plan</li> <li>○ Beach Corridor Transit Connection Study</li> <li>○ Misc. Traffic Studies &amp; Transit Reports</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Status Report Items: Parking Status Reports – Jan 2016</li> </ul>
<p><b><u>June 6, 2016:</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sunshine Law Briefing</li> <li>• Police Motor Units Discussion</li> <li>• Transportation Department Items: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Alton-West Trolley</li> <li>○ Mid-Beach Trolley</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

- North Beach Trolley
- ITS/Traffic Monitoring & Management
- Bicycle Safety Campaign/Racks & Signage
- Bicycle/Pedestrian Master Plan
- Beach Corridor Transit Connection Study
- Misc. Traffic Studies & Transit Reports
- Updates: East Venetian Bridge / Bridge Connecting Purdy to Belle Isle
- West Avenue Bridge Update
- I-195/Alton Road Interchange Discussion
- Status Report Items: Parking Status Reports – Feb/March 2016

## **ACCOMPLISHMENTS:**

### **January 4, 2016:**

#### **Appointment of Chair/Vice-Chair:**

- Motion Passed: Alfred Feola – Chair / Seth Wasserman – Vice-Chair

### **March 7, 2016:**

#### **41<sup>st</sup> Street:**

- Motion Passed: TPBPFC recommended relooking at 41<sup>st</sup> Street Project, to make it more pedestrian friendly and safe; looking at traffic flow; adding bike lane; and removing/replacing parking – also safety issue with lighting that is not being addressed
- Motion Passed: TPBPFC supported modifying the A Bus Route to come across Venetian Causeway every ten (10) minutes – stopping at Sunset Harbour, Collins Park, Lincoln Road and back to Omni; continue using current thirty (30) passenger buses (max 40); tie in with raising/lowering of bridge, for maximum efficiency; fare can remain at \$2.02, but must run from 6a to 2a. Committee felt this is the shortest route from Omni to South Beach and an immediate silver bullet to help the City's clogged streets.

### **April 4, 2016:**

#### **Transportation Master Plan:**

- Motion Passed: TPBPFC endorsed the Transportation Master Plan

#### **Bicycle/Pedestrian Master Plan:**

- Motion Passed: TPBPFC endorsed the Bicycle/Pedestrian Master Plan

### **May 2, 2016:**

#### **Workforce Housing Presentation – Issued Via Letter to Commission #199-2016:**

- Motion Passed: TPBPFC asked that once Mayor & Commission hold workshop on Workforce Housing and before any final decisions are made, as it pertains to parking facilities, it be brought to the TPBPFC Committee for review and recommendations

### **June 6, 2016:**

#### **Low Floor Trolleys – Issued Via Letter to Commission #246-2016:**

- Motion Passed: TPBPFC reiterated its position in supporting the approval of low floor trolleys

## **FUTURE ACTIVITIES (PARKING):**

• Freight Loading Zones
• Scooter/Motorcycle Parking
• Electric Vehicle Charging Stations
• Residential Zone 23
• Smart Parking (Mobile Applications/LPR/Space Monitoring)

• Collins Park Garage
• Garage Development – City Owned
• Garage Development – Public/Private

**FUTURE ACTIVITIES BY TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT PENDING**

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**BOARD OR COMMITTEE NAME:** Miami Beach Visitor and Convention Authority  
**CHAIRPERSON:** Peggy Benua  
**CITY LIAISON:** Grisette Roque

**NUMBER OF MEETINGS HELD SINCE January 2016: 5**

**ACTIVITIES:**

**January 21, 2016:**

The November 19, 2015 meeting minutes were approved. Motion by Mr. Perry to approve the November 19, 2015 meeting minutes. Seconded by Mr. Hertzberg. Motion passes unanimously.

The Board members were provided with a list of upcoming grant applicants and denied applicants.

A presentation about the Convention Center Hotel Referendum was made to the Board.

A discussion about the Serena Williams Live Ultimate Run and the negative press received, was held.

A grant in the amount of \$50,000 was awarded to the Miami-Dade Gay and Lesbian Chamber of Commerce Foundation, Inc. Fiscal Agent for Miami Beach-Miami LGBT Sports and Cultural League, Inc. for the Marketing Plan for the World Out Games Miami 2017. Motion by Mr. Hertzberg to fund \$50,000 to the Marketing Plan for World OutGames Miami 2017. Seconded by Mr. Gonzalez. Mr. Nardi abstained. Motion passes.

A grant in the amount of \$40,000 was awarded to Model Volleyball LLC for the 7th Annual Model Volleyball Tournament. Motion by Mr. Hertzberg to grant \$40,000 to the 7th Annual Model Volleyball Tournament. Seconded by Mr. Hertz. Mr. Nardi abstained. Motion passes.

A grant in the amount of \$32,000 was awarded to The Miami Foundation Fiscal Agent for Miami Beach Gay Pride, Inc. for the 8th Annual Miami Beach Gay Pride Parade & Festival. Motion by Mr. Perry to grant \$32,000 to the 8th Annual Miami Beach Gay Pride Parade & Festival. Seconded by Mr. Gonzalez. Ms. Benua abstained. Motion passes.

A grant in the amount of \$24,000 was awarded to the National LGBTQ Task Force for the 2016 Winter Party Festival. Motion by Mr. Perry to grant \$24,000 to the 2016 Winter Party Festival. Seconded by Mr. Lehman. Motion passes unanimously.

A grant in the amount of \$24,000 was awarded to the Aqua Foundation for Women for Aqua Girl. Motion by Mr. Hertz to grant \$24,000 to for Aqua Girl. Seconded by Mr. Perry. Mr. Lehman abstained. Motion passes.

A grant in the amount of \$28,000 was awarded to IFCM Corp. d/b/a FilmGate Interactive for FilmGate Interactive. Motion by Mr. Perry to grant \$28,000 to FilmGate Interactive. Seconded by Mr. Gonzalez. Mr. Lehman abstained. Motion passes.

A grant in the amount of \$24,000 was awarded to The Polo Life LLC for the Miami Beach Polo World Cup XI. Motion by Mr. Hertz to grant \$24,000 for Miami Beach Polo World Cup XI. Mr. Gonzalez seconded. Motion passes unanimously.

A grant in the amount of \$24,000 was awarded to Life Time Fitness for the South Beach Triathlon. Motion by Mr. Perry to grant \$24,000 for the South Beach Triathlon. Seconded by Mr. Hertzberg. Motion passes unanimously.

A grant in the amount of \$85,000 was awarded to Florida International University for the 2016 Food Network and Cooking Channel South Beach Wine & Food Festival. Motion by Mr. Hertz to grant \$85,000 to the 2016 Food Network and Cooking Channel South Beach Wine & Food Festival. Seconded by Mr. Perry. Motion passes unanimously.

A grant in the amount of \$51,000 was awarded to Miami Dade College for the 2016 Miami International Film Festival. Motion by Mr. Lehman to grant \$51,000 to the 2016 Miami International Film Festival. Seconded by Mr. Gonzalez. Motion passes unanimously.

A grant in the amount of \$85,000 was awarded to Winter Music Conference for Winter Music Conference, 31st Annual. Motion by Mr. Perry to grant \$85,000 to Winter Music Conference. Seconded by Mr. Gonzalez. Motion passes unanimously.

A presentation about the Miami Beach Branding project was made. Motion by Mr. Perry to have the City of Miami Beach return with more information. Motion amended by Ms. Benua to have the City of Miami Beach to return with a presentation / proposal for funding. Amendment accepted by Mr. Perry. Motion passes unanimously.

#### **February 17, 2016:**

The January 21, 2016 meeting minutes were approved. Motion by Mr. Lehman to approve the January 21, 2016 meeting minutes. Seconded by Mr. Hertz. Motion

passes unanimously.

The Board members were provided with a list of upcoming grant applicants and denied applicants.

The grant in the amount of \$50,000 was awarded to the City of Miami Beach for the Miami Beach Licensing and Merchandising Strategic Plan. Motion by Mr. Gonzalez to fund \$50,000 to the City of Miami Beach for their Licensing and Merchandising Strategic Plan. Seconded by Mr. Lehman. Motion passes unanimously.

A grant in the amount of \$27,258 was awarded to the Miami Design Preservation League for the Miami Beach Visual Memoirs Project: "Window on Miami Beach". Motion by Mr. Lehman to fund \$27,258 to the Miami Beach Visual Memoirs Project "Window on Miami Beach." Seconded by Mr. Hertz. Motion passes unanimously.

An update on the Application Portal was provided.

#### **April 12, 2016:**

The February 17, 2016 meeting minutes were approved. Motion by Mr. Gonzalez to approve the February 17, 2016 meeting minutes. Seconded by Mr. Lehman. Motion passes unanimously.

The Board members were provided with a list of upcoming grant applicants and denied applicants.

A presentation from the Orange Bowl Committee was held.

An update on the API Hackathon was provided by Lansight Consulting.

A grant in the amount of \$32,000 was awarded to ABFF Ventures LLC for the American Black Film Festival. Motion by Mr. Perry to grant \$32,000 for the American Black Film Festival (ABFF). Seconded by Mr. Gonzalez. Mr. Lehman abstained. Motion passes unanimously.

A grant in the amount of \$32,000 was awarded to Irie Music Corp. for Irie Weekend XII. Motion by Mr. Gonzalez to grant \$32,000 for Irie Weekend XII. Seconded by Mr. Hertz. Motion passes unanimously.

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The Care Resource Sponsored "White Party Week" Events grant was reviewed by the Board due to a decrease in budget. The Board unanimously decided to keep the grant as awarded. Motion by Mr. Lehman to maintain the grant as awarded at \$40,000 pending Mr. Welsh provided additional documentation for eligible expenses. Seconded by Mr. Nardi. Motion passes unanimously.

#### **May 10, 2016:**

The April 12, 2016 meeting minutes were approved. Motion by Mr. Lehman to approve the April 12, 2016 meeting minutes. Seconded by Mr. Gonzalez. Motion passes unanimously.

The Board members were provided with a list of upcoming grant applicants and denied applicants.

An update about the Miami Beach Licensing and Merchandising Strategic Plan was provided to the Board. The City of Miami Beach was asked to return with a full budget during the MBVCA's next meeting in June.

A Public Relations discussion was held and the Hill & Knowlton/SAMCOR contract was renewed for a period of one year. Motion by Mr. Gonzalez to renew the H & K contract for another year. Seconded by Mr. Hertz. Motion passes unanimously.

#### **June 7, 2016:**

The May 10, 2016 meeting minutes were approved. Motion by Mr. Perry to approve the May 10, 2016 meeting minutes. Seconded by Mr. Gonzalez. Motion passes unanimously.

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The 2016/2017 Tourism Advancement Program guidelines were approved with proposed changes. Motion by Mr. Perry to approve the changes excluding making hotel room nights mandatory and replacing "permanently exclude" with "suspend" for items (I)(C)(2) and (II)(B)(2). Seconded by Mr. Gonzalez. Motion passes unanimously.

The 2016/2017 proposed point systems were approved. Motion by Mr. Lehman to accept the new proposed point systems. Seconded by Mr. Perry. Motion passes unanimously.

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The 2016/2017 point systems were approved.

**FUTURE ACTIVITIES:**

The next MBVCA Board meeting will take place Tuesday, July 26, 2016 at 10:00 am at the MBVCA Conference Room, 1701 Meridian Avenue, Suite 403, Miami Beach.

The following boards and committees did not submit a biannual report:

Mayor's Ocean Drive Task Force

Personnel Board